

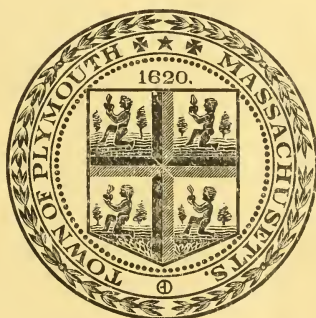
ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE TOWN OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF

PLYMOUTH

FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31

1900



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TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN—Horace M. Saunders, D. H. Craig, Dr. E. D. Hill, H. O. Whiting, A. T. Harlow.

TOWN CLERK.—Edward L. Burgess.

TOWN TREASURER—Edward L. Burgess.

AUDITOR—Frank D. Bartlett.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES—Benjamin F. Ward.

CLERK OF SELECTMEN—Benjamin F. Ward.

ASSESSORS—George F. Weston, chosen 1899, for three years; Alonzo Warren, chosen 1898, for three years; George Harlow, chosen 1900, for three years.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR—Charles P. Hatch, chosen 1899, for three years; Benjamin F. Ward, chosen 1900, for three years; Charles A. Strong, chosen 1898, for three years.

WATER COMMISSIONERS—Everett F. Sherman and John W. Churchill, chosen 1900, for three years; Horace P. Bailey and George W. Bradford, chosen 1899, for three years; John H. Damon, chosen 1898, for three years.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—William S. Kyle and J. Holbrook Shaw, chosen 1900, for three years; Elizabeth Thurber, chosen 1899, for three years; Arthur E. Lewis, chosen 1900, for two years; Frank H. Perkins, chosen 1900, for one year; Increase Robinson, appointed 1900, for one year.

BURIAL HILL COMMITTEE—Selectmen.

AGAWAM FISHERY COMMITTEE—Martin V. B. Douglass, Frank Harlow, Harrison O. Barnes.

PARK COMMISSIONERS—Nathaniel Morton, chosen 1898, for three years; George R. Briggs, chosen 1900, for three years; Walter H. Sears, chosen 1899, for three years.

SURVEYORS AND MEASURERS OF LUMBER—Leavitt T. Robbins, Edward B. Atwood, Cornelius C. Holmes.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES—Christopher T. Harris.

BEACH COMMITTEE—Selectmen.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS—Stillman R. Sampson.

FIELD DRIVERS AND FENCE VIEWERS—Hosea C. Bartlett, Nathan B. Perry and J. F. Towns.

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS—Richard W. Bagnell.

COLLECTOR OF WATER RATES—N. Reeves Jackson.

POUND KEEPERS—Joseph F. Towns, Nathan B. Perry, Hosea C. Bartlett.

COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES—Thomas D. Shumway, Charles B. Stoddard, Benjamin A. Hathaway.

HARBOR MASTER—Ellis Whiting Harlow.

BOARD OF REGISTRATION—C. H. Holmes, appointed 1900, for one year; J. C. Cave, appointed 1899, for three years; Nathaniel G. Lanman, appointed 1900, for three years; Edward L. Burgess.

SUPERINTENDENT OF OAK GROVE AND VINE HILLS CEMETERIES, AND BURIAL HILL—Edward F. Stranger.

SEXTON—Ozen Bates.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE—Obed C. Pratt.

BOARD OF HEALTH—Frederick D. Bartlett, chosen 1900, for three years; Josiah Morton, chosen 1900, for two years; J. Holbrook Shaw, chosen 1900, for one year.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS—Horace P. Bailey, Daniel M. Bosworth, Albert E. Davis, George E. Saunders, Frank H. Lanman.

SUPERINTENDENT OF MANOMET CEMETERY—Sidney B. Blackmer.

SUPERINTENDENT OF CHILTONVILLE CEMETERY — Charles Rogers.

CONSTABLES—Michael Casey, Joshua A. Douglass, Joseph W. Hunting, Benjamin F. Snow, Edward Manter, Freeman Manter, Joseph T. Collingwood.

COMMITTEE ON FIRE IN THE WOODS—Samuel Bradford, Nehemiah L. Savery, Gustavus G. Sampson, Martin V. B. Douglass, Ziba R. Ellis, Joseph F. Towns, Nathaniel Morton, William F. Doten, Frank B. Holmes, Nathaniel T. Clark, George R. Briggs, George H. Pierce, James M. Dowsett, Herbert Morrissey, Charles Woodward, Isaac H. Valler, Alberto M. Haskill, Andrew J. Cahoon, Benjamin Whiting, Henry L. Cahoon, Frank L. St. George, Martin A. Douglass, Elnathan Finney, Zenas E. Langford.

CHIEF OF POLICE—Joseph T. Collingwood.

COMMITTEE ON SEWERAGE—Selectmen.

ABSTRACT OF RECORDS OF 1900.

- March 5. *Voted*, On motion of William W. Brewster that the Selectmen be authorized to dispose of the schoolhouses (now unused) at Darby, Indian Brook and the Gurnet, with their lots, if any, by sale or otherwise as they may deem to be for the interest to the town, and execute such papers, in the name of the town, as may be necessary to transfer the title thereto.
- March 5. *Voted*, On motion of Nathaniel Morton, that the Water Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to apply to the State Board of Health, to take such action as provided under Section 510 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1897, and to prepare the necessary rules and regulations to insure the protection and preservation of the purity of the water supply of this town.
- March 5, *Voted*, On motion of William S. Kyle, that the Selectmen be and are hereby authorized to expend from the Contingent fund, a sum not exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars, (\$350) to defray the expenses incurred in opposing a bill now before the Legislature, providing for the transfer of the Registries of Deeds and of Probate to Brockton.
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(Various amendments were made to the by-laws.)

- March 5. *Voted*, On motion of Charles S. Davis, that the by-laws revised as above be accepted.
- March 5. Article nineteen being under consideration, *Voted*, That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed; seventy-five voting in the affirmative, and twenty-seven in the negative, and the motion was declared adopted.
- March 5. Article eighteen being under consideration, on motion of Charles S. Davis it was *Voted*, That the Selectmen be authorized and instructed to report the plans and estimates for extension of the Sewer in the northerly part of the town, and report as early as possible.
- March 5. *Voted*, That the names of Joseph Barnes and James E. Bartlett be stricken from the list of jurors.
Voted, That the jury list, revised as above, be accepted.
- March 5. *Voted*, That the town authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, and for disbursement under the provisions of the law relating to State Aid and Military Aid, and to defray the expenses of the town after January 1, 1901.
- March 5. *Voted*, That the town appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, (\$150) to pay the expenses of Decoration Day.
- March 5. *Voted*, That the Dog Fund, amounting to nine hundred and forty-nine and 77-100 dollars, (\$949.77), and the additional sum of three hundred and fifty and 23-100 dollars.

(\$350.23) be appropriated for the use of the Public Library for the current year.

- March 5. *Voted*, That the Town authorize the Selectmen to renew any note or notes heretofore authorized, which are now due, or may become due the present year, for such time, and on such term as they may deem expedient for the interests of the town.
- March 5. *Voted*, That the town authorize the Selectmen to bring, prosecute, compromise or defend any claims or suits within the Commonwealth in the name of the town, until otherwise ordered by the town.
- March 5. *Voted*, That the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) be appropriated for Beach Park, one hundred and fifty-eight voting in the affirmative, and seven in the negative, and the appropriation is adopted, more than two-thirds having voted in the affirmative.
- March 5. Article fifteen being under consideration, on motion of William T. Davis, *Voted*, That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.
- March 5. Article eleven being under consideration, on motion of Samuel Bradford, *Voted*, That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed; two hundred and twenty-two voting in the affirmative, and thirty-nine in the negative.
- March 5. *Voted*, That the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) be appropriated for Parks; one hundred and thirty-six voting in the affirmative, and twenty-seven in the negative.

and the appropriation is adopted, more than two-thirds having voted in the affirmative.

- March 5. Articles thirteen and fourteen, being under consideration, on motion of Charles S. Davis, *Voted*, that the subject matter of these articles be indefinitely postponed.
- March 5. *Voted*, That Burial Hill be placed under the care of the Superintendent of Oak Grove and Vine Hill cemeteries.
- March 5. *Voted*, That all bills for work done on Oak Grove and Vine Hill cemeteries, and on Burial Hill, be approved by the Selectmen.
- March 5. Article twenty-one being under consideration, on motion of Charles S. Davis, *Voted*, That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.
- March 5. Article twenty-two being under consideration, on motion of Charles S. Davis, *Voted*, That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.
- March 5. Article twenty-three being under consideration, on motion of Charles S. Davis, *Voted*, That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.
- March 5. *Voted*, That the Collector of Taxes be authorized to receive the taxes for the ensuing year at such places as he shall designate, on or before the fifteenth day of October; that interest be charged on all taxes remaining unpaid on said fifteenth day of October, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, and such rate shall continue until otherwise ordered by the town, and all taxes and interest remaining unpaid on the first day of January following, shall be

collected forthwith by legal process, and the Collector is hereby authorized to collect by legal process all taxes of previous years' outstanding.

March 5. *Voted*, That the Tax Collector be authorized to use all means for collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use.

March 5. On motion of Charles S. Davis, *Voted*, That the Selectmen be instructed to expend such sums of money on the paths, walks and neglected lots, on Burial Hill, as they think necessary, and charge the same to the Cemetery account.

March 5. *Voted*, That the sum of one hundred and six thousand three hundred and nine and 44-100 (\$106,309.44) be raised and assessed upon the polls and estates of the inhabitants of the town of Plymouth, and upon the estates of non-residents, to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

June 19. On motion of Dr. E. D. Hill, *Voted*, That the Selectmen be authorized to regrade and macadamize Sandwich street between Jabez Corner and the driveway of Eben D. Jordan at Chiltonville.

June 19. *Voted*, That the Selectmen be authorized to borrow the sum of (\$9,000) nine thousand dollars, and to issue therefor the note or notes of the town, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding four per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually. Said note or notes to be paid in ten years in equal annual payments of (\$900) nine hundred each. The said note or notes to be signed by the Treasurer, and approved by a

majority of the Selectmen. There were one hundred and forty voting in the affirmative, and four in the negative, and the motion was declared carried, more than two-thirds having voted in the affirmative.

June 19. On motion of Joseph Barnes, *Voted*, That the town appropriate the sum of (\$500) five hundred dollars, to be expended in improvements on Burial Hill.

June 19. *Voted*, That the town appropriate the sum of (\$800) eight hundred dollars for sidewalks.

June 19. On motion of H. M. Saunders, *Voted*, That the Selectmen be, and are hereby authorized to convey to Anthony McNamara for such sum as they think proper, a strip of land twenty feet wide, running from Alden street, to land of Anthony McNamara and parellel with Michael Casey's line, said lot being a part of the Alden street schoolhouse lot.

June 19. *Voted*, That the following by-laws be, and are hereby adopted. All dealers in, and keepers of shops for the purchase, sale, or barter of junk or old metals in this town, shall be licensed by the Selectmen. Every keeper of a shop for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, or old metals within this town, shall keep a book, in which shall be written, at the time of every purchase of any such article, the description thereof, the name, age and residence of the party from whom, and the day and hour when such purchase was made, and such book shall at all times be open to the inspection of the Selectmen, or any person by them authorized to make such inspection, and every keep-

er of such shop shall put in some suitable and conspicuous place on his shop a sign having his name and occupation legibly inscribed thereon in large letters; such shop and all articles of merchandise therein may at all times be examined by the Selectmen, or by any person by them authorized to make such examination, and no article purchased or received shall be sold until a period of at least one week has elapsed from the date of its purchase or receipt.

No keeper of such shop shall directly or indirectly purchase or receive by way of barter, or exchange, any of the articles, aforesaid, of a minor, knowing, or having reason to believe him to be such.

June 19. *Voted*, That the sum of one hundred seven thousand six hundred nine and 44-100 dollars (\$107,609.44) be raised and assessed upon the polls and estates of the inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth, and upon the estates of non-residents, to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen respectfully submit the following reports for the year ending December 31, 1900:

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The roads of a town or city are certain tests of the degree of its civilization and prosperity. The condition of the roads influences to a great extent our relations with our neighboring towns. With good, hard roads from Carver, Wareham, Tremont and Sandwich, the increase of business and taxable property, along said roads, would in a very short time pay large dividends on the cost of construction and maintenance.

Early in the year Mr. Jordan suggested that the town build a macadam road from Jabez Corner to "The Forges," his place in Chiltonville, agreeing to pay \$2,500 of the cost of building. At a special town meeting in June the town voted \$9,000 for that purpose. The contract was awarded to the Massachusetts Broken Stone Co., of Boston, and under the direction of Mr. Pierce, of Plymouth. The road is nearly completed and open for travel. The county commissioners assumed all land damages, and on petition from the selectmen defined bounds where necessary. They laid out a new road around Benson's Hill and abandoned the old way. This is a good road and we believe it will wear well for many years, with very little cost for repairs. The Board hope that this is only the beginning of permanent good roads, and that the town will annually appropriate enough money to macadamize one mile, as is being done in many towns and cities in the State and county.

In general, the streets in District No. 1, that is, the town proper, are in comparatively good condition, but they require constant care and expense to keep them so. Good material for road building being scarce, and on account of the hilly nature of the country, the covering is being constantly washed away into the gutters and carted off. With a steam crusher and roller of our own, all our principally travelled streets could be permanently repaired at a very slight cost over our present system, besides the many advantages of having at all times good roads. Much needed and great improvements have been made on the Halfway Pond and Sandwich roads, and the roads in District No. 6, during the past year. Water street is in bad condition, and on account of the heavy traffic on that street the Board would recommend that the town appropriate a separate appropriation for macadamizing Water street from the foundry to the depot. Improvement on Main, Market and Sandwich streets, by the electric road changing the rough stone paving for macadam, is very marked, and it is proving very satisfactory. It was necessary for the company, in laying new rails from Hotel Pilgrim to the Samoset House, to open the streets. We feel that they have endeavored to comply with the wishes of the Board, and the town is to be congratulated in the thorough manner in which they have done their work and the improvement in the condition of the streets between the rails and switches.

STANDISH AVENUE.

There has already been expended on Standish avenue \$12,-590.97. There are many places where it has not been graded over twenty to thirty feet, and it has yet to be covered the entire distance. We recommend an appropriation of \$1,500 for Standish avenue.

The bridge over Eel River on River street is in bad condition and will have to be rebuilt very soon. We recom-

mend an appropriation of \$1,500 for the building of a stone arch bridge, to be built about twenty-five feet south of the present structure, thereby widening and straightening the road at that point.

SIDEWALKS:

The Board has given special attention to sidewalks, and are unanimously of the opinion that a larger appropriation is needed at our next meeting. Outside of the town sidewalks should be built and repaired in many places. The past year there has been laid 8,403 feet of concrete on Middle, Market and Bradford streets, and very extensive repairs on all the concrete sidewalks of the town. The Board feel that it will be more economical to lay brick sidewalks hereafter through the business section of the town. If properly laid they last longer and need less repairs than concrete.

There have been laid the past year 758 feet of granite curbing on Summer, Court, Sandwich, Middle and Leyden streets, and 1,605 feet of block paving for curbing purposes on Summer, Court, Water, Bradford and Leyden streets and Willard Place. This is much less expensive and answers all purposes. The Board feel that it is but a waste of money to build sidewalks without some form of curbing. A new sidewalk was built from the Manomet road to White Horse Beach. It was covered with crushed stone, which is much appreciated by those who have occasion to use it. If we have a petition for another sidewalk, to extend from the State road to Manomet Point, we think this should be built. Six street crossings have been laid, two on Main street, one on Court, two on Sandwich, and one on Pleasant street. Two more are needed on Main street.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend that the town buy a steam crusher and roller; that all material be put on the roads before the first of

May; that the town do its own street sprinkling, using the town horses for that purpose from May 1st to Oct. 1st. The town would be greatly benefitted by this system. Not only would it be a great convenience to the citizens and merchants, but also it would be a great saving to our streets.

There has been expended upon our roads and bridges the past year \$15,546.90, outside of the \$9,000 appropriated for the macadam road to Chiltonville.

We ask for an appropriation of \$14,000 for the coming year, for streets; \$4,000 for sidewalks; \$1,500 for new roads. With our largely increased summer population, with their automobiles and fine turnouts, there is a constantly increased demand for better roads, and it seems to your Board that in this direction the town should be liberal, as it will be the means of attracting still more to come and build and be permanent taxpayers.

ROAD INDEX.

The Hon. William T. Davis, who was employed by the former board of selectmen to make a uniform index of the proceedings of the Town and County Commissioners in laying out streets, ways, highways and roads, has completed the work, at a cost of \$132.

GUIDE BOARDS.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 53, Section 2, of the Public Statutes, the Board publish the following list of guide boards of the town:

One each at the junction of Summer and Billington streets, North Carver and West Pond roads, Wenham and Plympton roads, North Carver and Wenham roads, Dunham and South Meadow roads, South and Pleasant streets, Long Pond and Mast roads, Halfway Pond river, Halfway Pond and Wareham road, Long Pond road, near residence of F. A. Hatch, Long Pond road at Shaw place, Morton's Corner.

Bramhall's store, Doten road, Warren avenue and Clifford street, Manomet and Rocky Hill road, Manomet and Taylor road, Manomet and Point road, Manomet and Indian Brook road, Sandwich and Island Pond road, Sandwich and Clark road, Long Pond and Jordan road, Russell Mills and Jordan road, Doten and State road, two on Beaver Dam road, two on Sandwich road, near Chamberlain place, three at Ellisville, and five at Cedarville.

VALUATION OF PROPERTY.

6 horses,	\$750 00
2 2-horse carts,	275 00
3 1-horse carts,	150 00
1 1-horse wagon,	35 00
1 2-horse wagon,	50 00
1 democrat wagon,	65 00
1 Concord buggy,	80 00
1 stone drag,	25 00
1 road machine,	225 00
1 road roller,	300 00
Harnesses,	245 00
2 plows,	50 00
2 snow plows,	125 00
1 sleigh,	15 00
Tools,	30 00

STREET LIGHTING.

The conditions in this department have been far from satisfactory during the past year. The distribution plant has been sadly out of repair, and complaints have been numerous, lights out being the report of frequent occurrence. Much of the trouble was no doubt caused by the necessity of changing the wires from old poles to new ones on the line of the electric railway, but the work has been done in a thorough manner, as shown by the increased power of the lights in that section.

There has been an enclosed arc light placed at the foot of Spring Hill, as an experiment, and the Board are much pleased with the lighting power of the same, and believe that there should be quite a number of them through the center of the town, but the Light Co. are not ready at the present time to furnish them. There are numerous calls for more lights, which will undoubtedly call for an increased expenditure in the near future.

SEWERS.

There have been laid during the past year 1,331 feet of sewer pipe, as follows: In Summer street, from Oak toward Billington, 383 ft. 8 in.; in Sever street, from Russell, 362 ft. 8 in.; in Russell street, 470 ft. 8 in.; in Franklin street, 116 ft. 6 in. Total expense on account of sewers, \$1,321.55.

In accordance with a vote of the town passed March 5, 1900, the selectmen employed Mr. Walter H. Sears, who has made a survey and plan for sewer for the north end of the town, and reported as follows:

COPY.

PLYMOUTH, Aug. 10, 1900.

Mr. H. M. Saunders,
Chairman Board of Selectmen,
Plymouth,

Dear Sir:

At your request I have examined the location and made the necessary surveys for the proposed sewer in Court street, from the vicinity of Cold Spring, northerly, to the Kingston line, and beg leave to report as follows, with plan.

It appears that the Plymouth Cordage Co. has recently constructed a sewer from the vicinity of Spooner street, northerly, which practically provides for this section, and this part of Court street is therefore not considered in this report.

There are two principal depressions or valleys across Court street in the section remaining under consideration: one near the crossing of the Plymouth & Middleboro railroad and the other near the residence of Mr. B. Hedge. For economy of construction these two valleys should be drained separately, each with its own outlet to the sea. The first, or southerly section, would include Court street from near No. 150, northerly, to the vicinity of and including Hall's Lane.

A part of Nelson street would be drained toward Court street, and a part from the low point in the street into the outlet sewer at a suitable point, in the low ground, between Court street and the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.

The outlet to this section, beginning at Court street, near the P. & M. R. R., follows the low ground, and crossing under the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. reaches high water mark about 1,670 feet from Court street. Four hundred feet further would carry the sewage to an outlet near low water mark.

The second, or northerly section, would extend from near the road to Mr. Robbins' lumber yard, northerly, to the outlet, near the residence of Mr. Hedge, connecting with branch sewers in all side streets.

Standish avenue is not included in this present estimate, but it may be connected with the side streets, as sewers may be required, hereafter, from time to time.

The outlet to this section, beginning at Court street, on land of Mr. Hedge, would follow the low ground, as in the case of the southerly outlet, crossing under the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., and thence, on the northerly side of the pond, to the sea.

The length of this outlet would be about 2,050 feet to high water mark and thence about 400 feet to a desirable outlet near low water mark.

It will probably not be necessary to lay these outlet sewers

at any greater depth than is sufficient to protect them from the action of frost, except at the railroad crossings, etc.

The estimate of cost submitted herewith, is based on using vitrified drain pipe for the principal sewers. The pipe below high water mark to the sea, should be cast iron.

The sizes of sewer pipes to be laid would be 8 inch, 10 inch, 12 inch and 15 inch. Manholes of ample size are provided at all intersecting streets and approximately 350 feet apart in other sections where no streets require them.

Side branches for house connections would be laid as the work was carried on, not only where dwellings are now built but opposite vacant lots, in order not to be obliged to break into the sewer when occasion for connections shall arise hereafter.

Arrangements for flushing the sewers would be provided at suitable points.

The following is an approximate estimate of the cost of constructing the sewers, as outlined in the above description and the plan submitted herewith. The prices have been carefully considered and the estimate is believed to be ample, at the present time. It is needless to state, however, that prices for all material used in the construction of this sort of work have varied very materially in the recent past and are likely to do so hereafter, and some allowance is probably to be made accordingly.

Approximate estimate of cost of sewer in Court street and side streets connecting therewith:

Main line in Court street, 8, 10 and 12 inch, including manholes, etc.,	\$4,800 00
Branch sewers in Nelson street, Hall's Lane, Centennial street, Atlantic street, Hamilton street, Savery's Lane, and a part of Cherry street, including manholes, etc.,	3,500 00
Southerly and northerly outlet sewers to the sea, including railroad crossings, cast iron	

pipe below high water mark, and necessary appurtenances,	5,000 00
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	\$13,300 00
Add for contingencies, superintendence, etc.,	1,300 00
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Total,	\$14,600 00

Thanking you for your kindness and courtesy,

Yours very respectfully,

WALTER H. SEARS,

Civil Engineer.

FIRE IN THE WOODS.

Probably at no time in the history of the town has it been obliged to pay out so much money for fighting fires in the woods as during the past season, the amount expended for this purpose being \$9,981.43.

Now it seems to your Board that it would be far better to have some person who would have authority in any part of the State, and that in this way many fires might be prevented from getting a great headway and destroying so much valuable property as in the case of the September fire. Had there then been some person who had had such authority, we think much danger might have been averted. Had the fire been taken care of in the adjoining town, much valuable woodland and many buildings in Plymouth might have been saved.

CONTINGENT.

You will see by the treasurer's report that the contingent account is overdrawn \$9,989.50, which is accounted for as follows, and most of which items are not of annual occurrence: Tree warden, \$367.37; destruction of elm leaf beetle, \$207.21; fires in woods, \$9,981.43; fire apparatus for woods fires, \$560; legal and other expenses in opposing removal of registry of deeds, \$354.30; copying layouts of county and town ways, \$132; W. H. Sears, plan of sewers, \$125. The

last three of these items, amounting to \$611.30, were voted by the town, March 5, 1900, to be charged to this account. Although the expense of fires in the woods is always charged to this account, the amount expended for this purpose the past year far exceeds that of any year in the history of the town. We would recommend that the sum of \$5,000 be appropriated for the coming year, and \$9.989.50 to meet the deficiency.

TOWN DEBT AND INTEREST.

The total indebtedness of the town Dec. 31, 1900, was \$175,802.62, as against \$161,915.87 Dec. 31, 1899, a net increase of \$13,886.75. Notes have been issued on the water department to the amount of \$30,000, and to the amount of \$9,000 for macadamizing the Sandwich road from Jabez Corner to Mr. Jordan's place at Chiltonville. There has been paid on the funded indebtedness during the past year \$25,113.25, of which \$6,640.00 was for water loan, leaving the total indebtedness as follows:

Water loan,	\$105,960 00
Funded indebtedness outside of water,	69,842 62

TEMPORARY LOAN.

There is an outstanding temporary loan of \$22,000, this being due to the amount expended on fires in the woods, and for other payments on the contingent account for which no appropriation was made, and also the expenditures on the water department.

The following appropriations are asked for by the several departments of the Town:—

Schools,	\$35,000 00
Roads and Bridges,	14,000 00
Standish avenue,	1,500 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$50,500 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$50,500 00
Fire Department,	6,000 00
Poor,	6,000 00
Insane Poor,	3,000 00
Lighting streets,	6,000 00
Town Debt and Interest,	22,000 00
Sidewalks,	3,000 00
Contingent,	5,000 00
Watch and Police,	4,500 00
Assessors,	1,900 00
Sexton,	125 00
New Roads,	1,500 00
Parks,	750 00
Training Green,	180 00
Tree Warden Account,	1,400 00
Collector of Taxes,	800 00
Treasurer,	800 00
Cemeteries,	500 00
Burial Hill,	200 00

\$114,155 00

Amount overdrawn as per Treasurer's report,

\$27,188 81

Less—

Reimbursements for

State Aid, etc.,

\$4,438 52

Overdraft on Water

account,

7,847 94 12,286 46

14,902 35

\$129,057 35

Less—

Corporation tax,

\$8,371 66

Bank tax,

1,653 51

Miscellaneous,

600 00

10,625 17

\$118,432 18

To cover the amount required as above, it will be necessary to raise by taxation the sum of \$118,432.18 to meet the expenses of the Town for the year 1901.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE M. SAUNDERS,

DEXTER H. CRAIG,

ALBERT T. HARLOW,

EDGAR D. HILL,

HENRY O. WHITING.

Selectmen of Plymouth

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1900.

The Treasurer is charged with—

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1900,	\$755 36
Agawam and Half-way Pond fishery,	300 00
Cemeteries, sale of lots, etc.,	586 52
Fines from courts,	1,179 30
Sale of herring stream,	15 00
Liquor licenses,	3,903 00
Licenses,	139 75
Old Colony National Bank dividend,	250 00
Contingent,	92 87
Armory rent from State,	200 00
Insane poor, reimbursements,	587 24
Interest on taxes,	954 95
Dog fund for 1900,	890 92
Military aid from state,	382 73
New roads, reimbursements,	1,243 00
Poor department, reimbursements,	1,536 81
Roads and bridges, reimbursements,	3,575 26
Seal bounty, from county,	132 00
State aid, from State,	4,154 00
Sewer entries,	1,066 25
School department, reimbursements,	35 67
Sale of school buildings and lots,	100 00
Soldiers' relief, reimbursements,	70 00
Standish ave., reimbursement,	7 30
Water rates and miscellaneous receipts,	22,568 53
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$44,726 46</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$44,726 46
Water loan,	30,000 00
Premium on water loan,	621 00
Temporary loan,	84,000 00
Parks, reimbursements,	116 00
Tax of 1898, including abatement of \$514.95,	6,062 91
State aid, from State (Chap. 561),	368 00
Military aid, from State (Chap. 561),	16 00
Tax of 1899, including abatement of \$431.54,	12,388 45
Tax of 1900, including abatement of \$1,833.22,	110,140 44
Sandwich road, reimbursement from Mr. Jordan,	2,500 00
Savings bank loan (Sandwich road),	9,000 00
Beach Park, reimbursement,	20 71
Corporation tax,	8,371 66
National Bank Tax,	1,653 51
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	\$309,985 14

The Treasurer is credited with—

Abatements,	\$2,779 71
Assessors,	1,715 44
Agawam and Half-way Pond fishery,	74 50
Beach Park,	320 71
Cemeteries,	1,203 06
Contingent,	20,169 42
Collector of taxes,	800 00
Fire department,	4,931 36
Insane poor,	3,848 75
Public library,	1,300 00
Lighting streets and town house,	6,083 26
Murdock fund interest,	36 50
Military aid,	797 46
Memorial Day,	150 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$44,210 17

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$44,210 17
Notes paid,	18,473 25
Interest,	4,610 26
New roads,	1,416 46
Poor,	7,649 17
Roads and bridges,	17,885 88
Seals,	54 00
Sexton,	125 00
State aid (Chap. 374),	4,023 00
Sewers,	1,321 55
Schools,	35,696 08
Soldiers' relief,	1,718 97
Sidewalks,	3,708 27
Standish ave.,	4,484 96
Treasurer,	800 00
Warren fund, interest,	50 00
Watch and police,	3,828 91
Water,	67,658 06
Widows,	76 00
Training Green,	192 28
Temporary loan repaid,	62,000 00
Parks,	678 88
Burial Hill,	408 89
Sandwich road,	10,849 55
State tax,	3,945 00
National bank tax,	4,133 16
County tax,	8,834 16
Corporation tax,	116 35
Cash balance, Dec. 31, 1900,	1,036 88
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	\$309,985 14

Undrawn Balances.

The undrawn balances of the several appropriations are as follows :

Abatements,	\$1,560 77
Assessors,	84 56
Cemeteries,	342 73
Fresh Brook,	23 92
Fire department,	268 64
Public library,	325 00
Lighting streets and town house,	1,527 74
Murdock fund,	730 00
Town debt and interest,	506 10
Poor,	745 08
Sewers,	244 70
Schools,	122 94
South street school lot,	1 44
Standish ave.,	57 74
Warren fund,	1,000 00
Widows,	64 00
Training Green,	14 32
Parks,	205 87
Burial Hill,	91 11
Sandwich road,	650 45
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	\$8,567 11

Overdrawn Balances.

The overdrawn balances of the several appropriations are as follows :

Contingent,	\$9,989 50
Insane poor,	261 51
Military aid (Chap. 372),	806 04
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$11,057 05

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$11,057 05
New roads,	173 46
Roads and bridges,	310 62
State aid (Chap. 374),	4,035 50
Soldiers' relief (Chap. 447),	1,648 97
Sidewalks,	1,286 36
Watch and police,	828 91
Water,	7,847 94
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	\$27,188 81
Less—	
State aid, Chap. 374, due from State,	\$4,035 50
Military aid, Chap. 372, due from State,	403 02
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	\$4,438 52
Net overdraft,	\$22,750 29
There is due the town as follows :	
Uncollected taxes, 1899,	\$6,229 16
Uncollected taxes, 1900,	17,630 98
State aid from State, Chap. 374,	4,035 50
Military aid from State, Chap. 372,	403 02
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	\$28,298 66
There is an unpaid temporary loan of,	\$22,000 00

TOWN DEBT.

WATER LOAN.

Four per cent. bonds, dated June 1, 1895, payable \$2,800 annually,	\$39,200 00
Four per cent. bonds, dated August 1, 1890, payable \$1,300 annually,	22,100 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$61,300 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$61,300 00
Four per cent, notes, dated August 1, 1894, payable \$800 annually,	15,200 00
Four per cent. notes, dated February 3, 1894, payable \$240 annually,	960 00
Four per cent. notes dated October 2, 1899, payable \$1,500 annually,	28,500 00
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	\$105,960 00

CONSOLIDATED LOAN.

Plymouth Savings Bank, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. note dated April 1, 1891, payable \$2,200 annually,	\$2,200 00
Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. note, dated April 20, 1891, payable \$670 annually,	670 00
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	\$2,870 00

PLYMOUTH AND MIDDLEBORO RAILROAD LOAN.

Four per cent. note, January 7, 1892, payable \$5,000 annually,	\$10,000 00
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HIGH SCHOOLHOUSE LOAN.

Four per cent. note, dated July 1, 1891, payable \$2,000 annually,	\$2,000 00
Four per cent note, Plymouth Five Cents Saving Bank, dated July 1, 1891, payable \$2,000 annually,	2,000 00
Four per cent note, Plymouth Five Cents Saving Bank, dated March 10, 1894, payable \$350 annually,	1,400 00
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	\$5,400 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/>
	\$124,230 00

Amount brought forward, \$124,230 00

NEW SCHOOLHOUSES LOAN.

Five per cent note, dated July 3,	
1893, payable \$500 annually,	\$1,500 00
Four and one-half per cent note,	
dated December 9, 1893, payable	
\$500 annually,	1,500 00
Four per cent. note, dated February	
3, 1894, payable \$200 annually,	800 00
Four per cent. note, dated August 1,	
1895, payable \$266.66 annually,	6,666.50
Four per cent. note, dated April 1,	
1897, payable \$324.83 annually,	2,273 81
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	\$12,740 31

SEWER LOAN.

Four and one-half per cent note,	
dated November 1, 1893, payable	
\$750 annually,	\$9,750 00
Four per cent note, dated April 2,	
1894, payable \$500 annually,	2,000 00
Four per cent. note, dated August 1,	
1895, payable \$100 annually,	500 00
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	\$12,250 00

MACADAMIZING LOAN.

Four per cent. notes, dated August	
1, 1895, payable \$300 annually,	\$7,500 00
Four per cent. note, dated Sept. 8,	
1900, payable \$900 annually,	9,000 00
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	\$16,500 00

<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/>
	\$165,720 31

Amount brought forward, \$165,720 31

NEW ROADS LOAN.

Four per cent. note, dated July 1,	
1896, payable \$300 annually,	\$1,800 00
Four per cent. notes, dated July 1,	
1899, payable \$600 annually,	5,400 00
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	\$7,200 00

STATE HIGHWAY LOAN.

Four per cent. note, dated April 1,	
1897, payable \$411.76 annually,	\$2,882 31
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	\$2,882 31
Debt December 31, 1900,	\$175,802 62
Debt December 30, 1899,	161,915 87
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Increase for the year,	\$13,886 75
Borrowed during 1900,	\$39,000 00
Paid on debt, 1900,	25,113 25
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	\$13,886 75

CONTINGENT.

CR.

Appropriation,	\$4,500 00
Appropriation for deficiency,	1,514 16
Armory rent from state,	200 00
Fines from court,	1,179 30
Sale of herring stream,	15 00
Licenses (liquor),	3,903 00
Licenses,	139 75
Tree warden (acct.) reimbursements,	67 37
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$11,518 58

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$11,518 58
Elm leaf beetle (acct.) reimbursements,	19 90
Miscellaneous receipts,	5 60
Old Colony National Bank dividends,	150 00
Balance overdrawn,	9,989 50
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	\$21,683 58

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Austin A. Wood, for damages,	\$30 00
Legal expenses,	541 00
Clerk of selectmen,	150 00
Inland fisheries,	97 94
Treasurer of Commonwealth, 25% of money received for liquor licenses,	975 75
Repairs at town house,	157 71
Services of town clerk,	50 00
Expressage,	7 55
Repairing wall around Cole's Hill,	28 50
Tree wardens,	367 37
Elm leaf beetle,	207 21
Opposing bill in Legislature on transfer of Registry of Deeds,	354 30
Stationery, books, and furnishings,	243 23
J. E. Chandler, for plans of town house,	121 50
Care of town clock,	25 00
Perambulation of town lines,	17 00
Board of health expenses,	277 90
Printing, including town reports,	571 93
Postoffice bills,	131 25
Expense of town meetings and state election,	446 24
Telephone,	34 43
Auditor,	75 00
Fees and expenses of arrest,	325 44
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$5,236 25

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$5,236 25
Janitor of town house,	203 16
Armory rent, heat, light and rifle range,	1,297 34
Inspector of cattle and hogs,	300 00
Return of births, deaths, etc.,	201 36
Copying records of town and county layouts,	132 00
Fuel at town house,	164 26
Walter H. Sears (sewer plan, north part of town,)	125 00
Board of registration, and expenses,	246 25
Fires in the woods,	9,981 43
Fires in the woods (chemical wagons),	560 00
Services of the selectmen,	1,473 69
Power for Pilgrim Spring,	37 50
Incidentals,	211 18
Balance overdrawn,	1,514 16
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	\$21,683 58

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

CR.

Appropriation,	\$14,000 00
Appropriation for deficiency,	522 45
Reimbursements from new roads and Stand- ish avenue,	379 10
Reimbursements from sidewalks,	939 75
Reimbursements from poor,	121 13
Reimbursements from schools,	45 00
Reimbursements from county,	35 00
Reimbursements from Mass. Broken Stone Co.,	819 00
Reimbursements from B. and P. St. R. W. Co.,	30 80
Brockton and Plymouth St. R. W. Co., ex- cise tax,	550 42
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$17,442 65

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$17,442 65
Plymouth and Sandwich St. R. W. Co., ex-	
cise tax,	58 41
Street railway tax from State,	573 00
Reimbursements from small accounts,	23 65
Balance overdrawn,	310 62
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	\$18,408 33

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Payments in 1900,	\$17,885 88
Overdrawn balance,	522 45
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	\$18,408 33

DEPARTMENT.		Balance undrawn Dec. 31, 1899	Balance overdrawn Dec. 31, 1899	Appro- priations.	Appro's for Deficiency.	Reimburse- ments.	Expendi- tures.	Balance overdrawn	Balance undrawn.
Abatements.	.	\$877 75	.....	\$3,462 73	.....	.....	\$2,779 71	.....	\$1,560 77
Assessors.	.	.....	\$9 83	1,800 00	\$9 83	.....	1,715 44	.....	84 56
Agawam Fisheries.	.	.....	.....	300 00	.....	300 00	74 50	.....	.....
Beach Park.	.	.....	.....	300 00	.....	20 71	320 71	.....	.....
Cemeteries.	.	109 27	.....	850 00	.....	586 52	1,203 06	.....	342 73
Contingent.	.	.....	.....	4,500 00	1,514 16	5,679 92	20,169 42	\$ 9,989 50	.....
Collector of Taxes.	.	.....	.....	800 00	.....	.....	800 00	.....	.....
Fresh Brook.	.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 92
Fire Department.	.	.....	.....	5,200 00	153 79	.....	4,931 36	.....	268 64
Insane Poor.	.	.....	.....	3,000 00	365 55	587 24	3,848 75	.....	.....
Public Library.	.	325 00	.....	350 23	.....	949 77	1,300 00	261 51	325 00
Lighting Streets and Town House.	.	1,311 00	.....	5,800 00	.....	.....	6,083 26	.....	1,527 74
Mardock Fund.	.	730 00	.....	.....	.....	36 50	797 46	806 04	730 00
Military Aid, Chap. 372	.	.....	782 62	.....	391 31	382 73	.....	.....	.....
Memorial Day.	.	.....	.....	150 00	.....	.....	150 00	.....	.....
Town Debt and Interest.	.	2,721 16	.....	20,000 00	.....	954 95	23,083 51	.....	506 10
New Roads.	.	.....	1,084 01	.....	.....	1,243 00	1,416 46	173 46	.....
Poor.	.	357 44	.....	6,500 00	.....	1,536 81	7,649 17	.....	745 08
Roads and Bridges.	.	.....	522 45	14,000 00	522 45	3,575 26	17,885 88	310 62	.....
Seals.	.	.....	78 00	.....	.....	132 00	54 00	.....	.....
Sexton.	.	.....	.....	125 00	.....	.....	125 00	.....	.....
Standish Avenue	.	1,535 40	.....	3,000 00	.....	7 30	4,484 96	.....	57 74
State Aid, Chap. 374	.	.....	4,166 50	.....	.....	4,154 00	4,023 00	4,035 50	.....
State Aid, Chap. 561	.	.....	364 00	.....	.....	368 00	.....	.....	4 00
Military Aid, Chap. 561	.	.....	24 00	.....	.....	16 00	.....	.....	4 00
Sewers.	.	.....	1,633 23	12 00	1,633 23	1,066 25	1,321 55	.....	244 70
Schools.	.	83 35	.....	500 00	.....	135 67	35,696 08	.....	122 94
Soldiers' Relief, Chap. 447.	.	.....	1,229 31	33,600 00	.....	70 00	1,718 97	1,648 97	.....
South Street School Lot.	.	1 44	.....	1,229 31	.....	.....	.....	1 44	.....
Sidewalks.	.	621 91	.....	1,800 00	.....	.....	3,708 27	1,286 36	.....
Treasurer.	.	.....	.....	800 00	.....	.....	800 00	.....	.....
Warren Fund.	.	1,000 00	.....	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	1,000 00
Watch and Police.	.	.....	193 50	3,000 00	193 50	.....	3,828 91	828 91	.....
Water Department.	.	6,620 59	.....	30,000 00	.....	23,189 63	67,658 06	7,847 94	.....
Widows.	.	40 00	.....	.....	.....	100 00	76 00	.....	64 00
Training Green.	.	6 60	.....	200 00	.....	.....	192 28	.....	14 32
Parks.	.	18 75	.....	750 00	.....	116 00	678 88	.....	205 87
Eel River Bridge and Removal of Snow.	.	.....	2,127 06	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	91 11
Burial Hill.	.	.....	.....	500 00	.....	.....	408 89	.....	.....
Sandwich Road	.	.....	.....	9,000 00	.....	2,500 00	10,849 55	.....	650 45

Respectfully submitted, EDWARD L. BURGESS, Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the accounts of the Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes and Water Rates for the year ending December 31, 1900, and find them to be correct, and payments properly vouched for.

The cash on hand at close of the year was \$1,036.88, as stated in the Treasurer's report.

FRANK D. BARTLETT.

Auditor.

PLYMOUTH, Feb. 9, 1901.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Value of real estate,	\$5,780,575 00
Value of personal estate,	2,033,265 00
Gain on real estate,	616,175 00
Gain on personal estate,	111,910 00
Value of buildings, exclusive of land,	4,068,125 00
Value of land, exclusive of buildings,	1,712,450 00
Value of personal estate, excluding bank stock,	1,854,675 00
Value of personal estate, resident bank stock,	178,590 00
Rate of taxation, \$15.20.	
Tax on real estate,	\$87,864 74
Tax on personal estate,	30,906 76
Tax on polls,	4,966 00
Tax on non-resident bank stock,	4,033 92
Committed to collector of taxes,	\$127,771 42
Number of residents assessed on property,	1,342
All others assessed on property,	371
Non-residents assessed on property,	439
All others assessed on property,	107
Persons assessed on property,	2,259
All persons assessed on poll tax only,	1,540
Polls assessed,	2,483
Horses assessed, ,	890
Cows assessed,	375
Sheep assessed,	20
Neat cattle assessed,	6
Swine assessed,	42
Dwelling houses,	1,878
Acres of land,	50.267

ABATEMENT ACCOUNT.

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Overlayings,	\$3,462 73
Balance Jan. 1, 1900,	877 75

\$4,340 48

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Abatements for 1898, 1899, 1900,	\$2,779 71
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Balance, Jan. 1, 1901,	\$1,560 77
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Appropriation for 1900,	\$1,809 83
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Amount paid out—

For services of assessors and expenses, including clerical assistance, stationery, printing, horse hire, and incidentals,

\$1,715 44

Overdraft, 1899,	9 83
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Balance, Dec. 31, 1900,	\$84 56
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We recommend an appropriation of \$1,900 for the year 1901.

ALONZO WARREN,
GEORGE HARLOW,
GEORGE F. WESTON.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor would respectfully submit the following report:

The conditions existing at the almshouse do not differ materially from previous years. Neatness prevails and the inmates are well cared for, many of them being in such enfeebled condition from age and sickness as to require constant nursing and attention, thereby causing the cost per capita to be considerably in excess of that in other towns and cities.

While this condition of affairs causes the Overseers considerable anxiety, they see, at present, no way of lessening the expense.

The calls for outside aid have been about the same as for the previous year. Our course is practically the same as it has been in the past, complying with and refusing requests for assistance, and acknowledging and denying claims for settlement made by other towns and cities against us, and we see no hope of permanent improvement in this direction during the existence of present laws.

It is thought an appropriation of \$6,000 will be ample for the ensuing year, and the same is recommended.

Poor at Almshouse.

Number of inmates Jan. 1, 1900,		11
Added during the year,		9
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		20
Discharged during the year,	1	
Died during the year,	5	
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Remaining January 1, 1901,	14
Balance undrawn, Jan. 1, 1900,	\$357 44
Appropriation,	6,500 00
Received from other towns, cities, and sources,	1,357 92
Received interest on Francis LeBaron fund,	54 52
Received interest on Charles Holmes fund,	20 20
Received interest on Murdock fund,	18 25
Received from sale of grass and hogs,	85 92
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	\$8,394 25
Expended for the poor of our own and other towns and cities,	7,649 17
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Balance undrawn,	\$745 08

INSANE POOR.

As will be seen by the following report, the appropriation for this department has been overdrawn \$261.51. It is thought an appropriation of \$3,000, with an additional \$261.51 for the deficiency, will be necessary, and is recommended.

Number in hospitals January 1, 1900,	24
In school for feeble minded,	1
Added during the year,	3
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	28
Died during the year,	2
Discharged during the year,	3
Gained settlement elsewhere,	1
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Remaining Jan. 1, 1901,	22
Expended,	\$3,848 75
Overdrawn Jan. 1, 1900,	365 55
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	\$4,214 30

Appropriation,	\$3,000 00	
Appropriation for deficiency,	365 55	
Reimbursements,	587 24	
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Overdrawn,		<hr/> \$261 51

CHAS. P. HATCH,
BENJ. F. WARD,
CHAS. A. STRONG,
Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN PLYMOUTH IN 1900.

- January 1. Reginald Morton and Frances May Holmes,
both of Plymouth.
- January 3. Joseph Medeiros and Mary Fontos Inas, both
of Plymouth.
- January 3. William E. Churchill and Janette B. (Manter)
Weston, both of Plymouth; married in Somerville.
- January 7. Charles D. Malguti, of Boston, and Benilde
(Borgatti) Trentini, of Plymouth; married in Plym-
outh.
- January 10. William F. Hughes and Magdalena F. Stras-
sel, both of Plymouth; married in Wakefield.
- January 14. Antonio Malaguti and Augusta Marchetti,
both of Plymouth.
- January 17. Charles A. Northrup and Angie Wood, both
of Plymouth.
- January 21. Charles J. Grandi, of Plymouth, and Adelina
Lamborghini, of Boston; married in Boston.
- January 22. Allen Fraser and Jennie M. Clark, both of
Plymouth.
- January 28. William L. Pickard and Mary V. Carpenter,
both of Plymouth.
- January 29. Leavitt T. Robbins and Anna V. (Wright)
Southgate, both of Plymouth.

- February 3. John Gellar and Leora Muthig, both of Plymouth.
- February 6. Frederick D. Gerry and Anna E. Gooding, both of Plymouth.
- February 8. Armando Bassni and Mary Zana, both of Plymouth.
- February 11. John Coffey and Annie Stuart, both of Plymouth.
- February 11. Araldo Pirani and Emelde Cremonini, both of Plymouth.
- February 12. Philip B. Smith, of Boston, and Henrietta F. (Robinson) Swift, of Plymouth; married in Boston.
- February 14. Nahum Irving Davis, of Plymouth, and Minnie L. Spooner of Scituate; married in Plymouth.
- February 21. Joseph Bregoli, of Plymouth, and Erminia Muzzioli of Italy; married in Plymouth.
- March 10. William G. F. Leidloff and Susanna Kunz, both of Plymouth.
- March 11. Stephen Holmes and Lucent Janette (Bliss) Haskins, both of Plymouth.
- March 14. William Grantham and Sarah Burrows Murray, both of Plymouth.
- March 22. James T. Eddy, Jr., and Charlotte La Drew Coville, both of Plymouth.
- March 31. William I. Gay and Lydia M. Campbell, both of Plymouth.
- March 31. Andrew Bossent Grozenger, of Kingston, and Madaline Florence Basler, of Plymouth; married in Plymouth.
- March 31. Giovanni Gallerani and Amalia (Maini) Prette, both of Plymouth.

- April 1. Antonio Danti and Carolina Giberti, both of Plymouth.
- April 14. Louis Muti and Annie Poali, both of Plymouth.
- April 14. Maurice Peterson and Mina Goranson, both of Plymouth.
- April 15. Andrew J. Carr and Joanna F. Scott, both of Plymouth.
- April 16. Simon A. Landry and Mary Lavinia Frasier, both of Plymouth.
- April 18. Patrick J. Glynn, of Plymouth, and Mary A. Mullaney, of Dorchester; married in Boston.
- April 22. Joseph W. Caldwell and Emma F. Drew, both of Plymouth.
- April 25. James H. Flanagan and Grace A. Kelliher, both of Brockton; married in Plymouth.
- April 28. Frederick M. Thrall and Bertha E. Haskins, both of Plymouth.
- May 2. John W. Valler, Jr., and Olive M. Whelpley, both of Plymouth.
- May 6. Atilio Banzi and Maria Ardizoni, both of Plymouth.
- May 19. Rennie Gernon and Virginia Lecomb, both of Plymouth.
- May 26. George E. Dolphin and Mary A. Utley, both of Plymouth.
- June 4. Ammon Littlefield Braddock and Lucy Estelle Loring, both of Plymouth; married in Providence.
- June 6. Charles Clifton Howland, of Plymouth, and Agnes Barbara Rinehardt, of Worcester; married in Worcester.

- June 6. Harrison Weston Jordan, of Rockland, and Florence May Darling, of Plymouth; married in Plymouth.
- June 7. James Stuart Arthur and Nannie D. Arthur, both of Plymouth.
- June 12. Samuel Lowry, Jr., and Olive E. Cave, both of Plymouth.
- June 14. Percy R. Bosworth, of Winchester, and Edith Richmond Bartlett, of Plymouth; married in Plymouth.
- June 16. William E. Chase and Anna Grace Nickerson, both of Plymouth.
- June 17. Varisto Branchini and Teresa Mattinzi, both of Plymouth.
- June 20. Walter William Goddard and Helen Holmes Richardson, both of Plymouth; married in Quincy.
- June 20. Joseph Fratus and Clara Cook Shaw, both of Plymouth; married in Kingston.
- June 20. Fred P. Bailey and Albertha T. Hedge, both of Plymouth.
- June 21. Francis C. Holmes and Mary V. Bennett, both of Plymouth.
- June 23. Asel W. Handy and Margaret Mahler, both of Plymouth.
- June 26. James P. Adams, of Whitman, and Ruth M. Hoxie of Plymouth; married in Plymouth.
- June 29. Clarence I. Robbins and Emma Linza Simpson, both of Plymouth.
- July 2. Charles McCarthy and Delia Bridget Glynn, both of Kinston; married in Plymouth.
- July 2. Arthur J. N. Banks and Susan A. (Parker) Raymond, both of Plymouth.

July 8. Antero Schiavina and Virginia Tassinari, both of Plymouth.

July 11. Charles Harold Gilbert, of Bangor, Me., and Miriam Atwood Bartlett, of Plymouth; married in Plymouth.

July 19. Herman Jacob and Elizabeth Goett, both of Plymouth.

July 26. George Fred Davee and Eva Miller Whitmore, both of Plymouth.

July 28. Maxime Girouard, of Fitchburg, and Elizabeth (Boudreau) Gagnon, of Plymouth; married in Plymouth.

July 29. John B. Raymond and Theresa H. Johnson, both of Boston; married in Plymouth.

August 1. Charles H. Hills and Edith Frances King, both of Plymouth.

August 2. Martin R. McCarthy and Mary Agnes Sullivan, both of Plymouth.

August 11. James I. Jennings and Mary Ellen Robbins, both of Plymouth.

August 25. Francis A. Williams and Annie C. (Beching) Henrich, both of Plymouth.

August 30. Orrin A. King and Mamie L. Preston, both of Plymouth; married in Middleboro.

September 2. John Sillair and Mary (Baratta) DeCosta, both of Plymouth.

September 8. Charles Nelson and Charlotte Johnson, both of Plymouth.

September 10. Russell B. Burgess and Leila L. Tripp, both of Plymouth.

- September 13. George Stillman Priest, of Newton, and Leella Walton (Blanchard) Smith, of Plymouth; married in Brookline.
- September 15. Luigi Sgarzi and Clelia Sassoli, both of Plymouth.
- September 17. Charles G. Henrich, of Plymouth, and Vinnie G. Gardner, of Kingston; married in Marshfield.
- September 19. Alton D. Edes and Mabel Bartlett, both of Plymouth.
- September 26. Elīsha Alton Badger and Edith A. Anderson, both of Plymouth.
- September 26. George A. Besse and Margaret L. O'Donnell, both of Plymouth.
- September 29. Herbert T. Francis, of Plymouth, and Lillian J. Reynolds, of Taunton; married in Plymouth.
- September 29. William T. Pierce and Isabella N. (Towns) Richmond, both of Plymouth.
- October 1. James Baker, of Stoughton, and Jennie F. Ferguson, of Plymouth; married in Plymouth.
- October 2. James Lowry and Mary Peterson, both of Plymouth; married in Sandwich.
- October 3. John D. McDonald and Gertrude E. Hughes, both of Plymouth.
- October 13. Augusto Cavicchi and Rosy Govoni, both of Plymouth.
- October 13. Martin Maier and Elizabeth Seaver, both of Plymouth.
- October 20. Luigi Cotti and Lisa Prandini, both of Plymouth.
- October 20. William T. Hurle, of Plymouth, and Maria L. W. (Granneman) Hobbs, of Kingston; married in Kingston.

- October 22. Louis Carpenter, of Plymouth, and Clara Manseau, of Nashua, N. H.; married in Sanford, Me.
- November 19. Charles E. Temple and Adeline E. Nickerson, both of Plymouth.
- November 20. Luigi P. Cortelli and Teotista Sendri, both of Plymouth.
- November 21. Harry H. Morton and Almira H. Morton, both of Plymouth.
- November 28. Philip F. Crevier, of Waterford, R. I., and Annie Ward, of Plymouth; married in Plymouth.
- November 29. Joseph H. Smyth, of Plymouth, and Katherine Jenney Cole, of New Bedford; married in New Bedford.
- December 6. William Johnson Brown and Judith Pierce, both of Plymouth.
- December 7. James A. Stevens, of Sandwich, and Minnie B. (Ryder) Swift, of Plymouth; married in Plymouth.
- December 22. William Henry Sears and Mabel Frances Cromwell, both of Plymouth.
- December 25. Isaac A. Sampson and Mary E. Keefe, both of Plymouth.
- December 25. Orlando E. Ferry, of New York, and Sara E. Faunce, of Plymouth; married in Plymouth.
- December 26. LeBaron Russell Barker, of Plymouth, and Amy Hutchins, of Cambridge; married in Cambridge.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN PLYMOUTH IN 1900.

DATE.	NAME.	NAMES OF PARENTS.	BIRTHPLACE OF PARENTS.	
			FATHER.	MOTHER.
Jan.	1 Abbie Bravy	Herman and Esther	Austria	Russia
	1 Wilfred Francis Coville	William F. and Lizzie A.	Nova Scotia	Provincetown
	2 Helen Rasmussen	Arnold and Josephine	Denmark	Copenhagen
	9 Katherine Elizabeth Suosso	Nicholas S. and Annie M.	Italy	Plymouth
	9 Mary Connors	David H. and Mary	Woburn	Lowell
	9 James Francis Barlow	George F. and Marie	Plymouth	Boston
	10 Regina Barbara Webber	Joseph and Mary	Germany	Germany
	13 Hazel May Stuart	Herbert M. and Eva J.	Plymouth	Cape Breton
	13 Foscoe Richmond Chandler	Maurice L. and Elizabeth B.	Duxbury	Plymouth
	14 John Mason Washburn	John B. and Annie K.	California	Plymouth
	16 Mildred Thompson Burt	George T. and Delmeda E.	Plymouth	Marshfield
	16 Charles Lester Gloyd	Andrew J. and Leora F.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	21 Esther Mildred Medvid	Samuel J. and Ida	Russia	Russia
	21 Harold Winslow Sherman	William B. and Ida B.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	25 Douglass Gardner	Samuel L. and Edith B.	Rochester	Philadelphia
	25 Mildred Esther Sears	Fred L., Jr., and Adella F.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	26 William Thomas Andrews	William and Nellie M.	Chelsea	Washington
	28 Nicholas Schneider	John J. and Margaret	Germany	Germany
	29 Grace Hannah Haigh	Thomas and Mary E.	England	England
	31 Edith Lannan	Frank H. and Mary W.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	31 Astorre Nikola	Cesere and Jose	Italy	Italy
	2 Lawrence E. Morton	Maurice E. and Mabel B.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	5 Donald Denny James	D. Melancthon and Margaret	Pennsylvania	Virginia
	9 Evaline Donaldson Fairley	Peter F. and Evaline E.	Scotland	Charlestown
	11 Bertha May Ruprecht	Daniel J. and Dorathea	Germany	Germany
	15 Mary Anna Silver	Joseph J. and Philomena	St. George	Fayal
	14 Joseph Henry Reidel	Henry and Louisa M.	Plymouth	Boston
Feb.				

Feb.	14	— Alsheimer	Edmund and Annie	Germany	Germany
	17	John Mike Miller	Gotlop and Annie	Germany	Germany
	17	Elmer Howard Reed	Edward E. and Phoebe R.	Maine	Plymouth
	17	Frank Medara	Mannel and Mary	Western Islands	Western Islands
	18	Peter Volta	Charles and Louisa	Italy	Italy
	19	Gladys Ellenore Kendrick	George F. and Annie M.	Plymouth	Wareham
	19	— Anderson	Carl and Nellie	Sweden	Sweden
	19	(Stillborn)			
	20	Annie Mary Anthony	Dominick and Mary	Italy	Italy
	20	Emma Dorothy Francis Wood	Joseph and Virginia Delorey	Canada	Nova Scotia
	25	Freeman Loring Covell	Jethro and Mabel A.	Nova Scotia	Dennisport
	26	Albert Govoni	Louis and Linda	Italy	Italy
	28	Kennedy Mahler	Peter 2d and Mary F.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	28	Bertha Brady	John F. and Mabel F.	Sandwich	Plymouth
March	4	Charlotte Louise Sears	Walter H. and Ella M.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	5	Olive Mendal Sampson	Charles M. P. and Mary M.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	6	(Stillborn)			
	7	Emma Seibulist	Henry and Eva	Germany	Germany
	8	Sarah Spooner Bent	Walter E. and Charleanna A.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	9	Mildred Procter	Thomas A. and Anna A.	Scotland	Scotland
	10	Helen Perrier	Geoffrey D. and Mary A.	Nova Scotia	Plymouth
	12	Elizabeth Edith Diotte	Antony and Eliza	Nova Scotia	Plymouth
	13	Katherine Beatrice Wood	Ellis N. and Lillian B.	Canada	New Brunswick
	13	Alexander Gallerani	Alessandro and Argeia	Plymouth	Wareham
	14	Katharina Louisa Phillips	Carl and Mary	Italy	Italy
	18	Beatrice May Cote	Joseph and Malvina	Germany	Germany
	20	Hazel Faro King	Nelson F. and Isaline E.	Canada	Nova Scotia
	21	— — Bergomini	Joseph and Mary	Mass.	Nova Scotia
	25			Italy	Italy
	28	James Louis Sanderson	Charles T. and Ellen E.	New York	Plymouth
	28	Gladys May Wade	Elmer W. and Nellie M.	Whitman	Boston
	30	Henry Kauselman	Louis and Lena	Germany	Germany
April	2	Arthur E. Heppleston	Herbert and Ada	England	Lowell
	8	Earle Elroy Morse	Edward K. and Hannah I.	Plymouth	Fairhaven
	9	Esther Sarah Covell	Louis C. and Marie	Wareham	Denmark
	14	Goifredo Facchini	Italo and Maria	Italy	Italy
	20	— — Scallion	Thomas E. and Ellen	Chelsea	St. Johns
	23	Louise Larkin	Caleb A. and Isabel A.	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia
	23	Beatrice Parker Gray	Arthur G. and Lucy	Plymouth	Richmond, Va.

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			FATHER.	MOTHER.
Apr. 24	--- Wright	Harry L. and Lydia M.	Plympton	Duxbury
25	Deborah Arline Longfellow	Frank and Fannie E.	Maine	Plymouth
26	George Alton Ward	Ira C. and Katie W.	Carver	Plymouth
May 2	Norini Tartarini	Frederico and Emina	Italy	Italy
3	Frederick W. Hertel	Alfred W. and Fannie M.	Plymouth	Providence, R. I.
4	Viola May Kendrick	James R. and Lena M.	Plymouth	Nova Scotia
4	Alton Thomas Clark	Charles T. and Nellie F.	Plymouth	East Cambridge
5	Mary Grace Frawley	John J. and Mary	Bridgewater	Boston
6	Richard Franklin Nickerson	Joseph H. and Johannah	Nova Scotia	Prince Ed. Island
17	--- McLellan	John F. and Abby	Nova Scotia	Plymouth
19	--- Colson	Emory and Ottilie	Sweden	Sweden
19	Mary Wirzburger	John and Frances	Germany	Germany
20	Ina Ardizoni	Alessandro and Clotildi	Italy	Italy
24	--- Fogel	Balthazar and Jacobina	Germany	Germany
25	Verisia Malaguti	Joseph and Lizzie	Italy	Italy
27	Alice Emilda Busi	Robert and Mena	Italy	Italy
28	Kate Toabe	Max and Ida S.	Russia	Russia
30	Emina Reidenback	Carl and Margaret	Germany	Germany
30	Barbara Mabbett	Herbert E. and Hattie M.	Conn.	Plymouth
30	--- Korth	Julius and Lena	Germany	Germany
30	Theodore Clyde Forgeron	Perrault and Melvina	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia
June 1	Alice Winifred Woodward	George C. and Winifred	Taunton	Milford
3	Lawrence Rondan Bennison	George O. and Izannah B.	Plymouth	Anburn, Me.
4	Julia Doyle	Michael J. and Julia A.	Ireland	New York
4	Alice Arthur Boutin	Joseph and Mary	Cape Breton	Cape Breton
6	Kenneth Warren Burgess	James O. and Addie F.	Plymouth	Plymouth
8	Augustus R. Bentley	Edwin R. and Fanny	New Bedford	Plymouth
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June	13	Dorothy May Nutter	Edwin F. and Jennie L.	Kingston	Plymouth
	14	Beatrice May McDonald	Joseph E. and Elizabeth	Nova Scotia	Plymouth
	14	Margaret A. Wallace	Michael and Katherine	Ireland	Ireland
	15	Viola Blanche Holmes	Herman F. and Anna F.	Plymouth	Newark, N. J.
	15	----- Nazarro	James and -----	Italy	Italy
	16	Peter Everett	Andrew and Mary	Sweden	Sweden
	16	Anthony Fortini	Frank and Mary	Italy	Italy
	18	Annie Sullivan	Bartholomew and Annie S.	Plymouth	Bridgewater
	21	Olive Louise Lacey	Arthur J. and Olive H.	Bath, Eng.	Dedham
	21	George Roscoe Dittmar	George H. and Elizabeth A.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	27	Harold Irwin Bartlett	Henry W. and Elizabeth L.	Plymouth	Boston
	27	Annie Louise Hoefler	Joseph and Margaret	Germany	Germany
July	3	Graham G. Kerr, Jr.	Graham G. and Josephine	Scotland	Vermont
	3	Herbert Warren Haire	George F. and Gertrude L.	Plymouth	Hyde Park
	3	Howard Alden Haire	George F. and Gertrude L.	Plymouth	Hyde Park
	4	----- Cronwell	Charles and Delia	Plymouth	-----
	8	Helen Clifton Jackson	Horace W. and Jennie C.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	8	Primo Busi	Paoli and Amelia	Italy	Italy
	9	Teresa Casnali	Louis and Celinea Bregoli	Italy	Italy
	14	Anthony Grandi	Joseph and Argia	Italy	Italy
	18	Elizabeth Winter	Peter and Mary	Germany	Germany
	19	Ruth Roberts	Frank W. and Sarah	New Hampshire	Rhode Island
	19	Eustina Williams	Henry F. and Susanna	Germany	Germany
	20	Annie Louisa McNayr	Charles and Susan	Nova Scotia	Cape Breton
	20	(Stillborn)	-----	-----	-----
	23	Sadie Orentlichier	Simon and Sarah	Russia	Russia
	23	Ruth Warren Morton	Edmund T. and Anna W.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	23	----- Torrance	George H. and Mary A.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	24	Dorothy Simmons Beaumont	Thomas C. and Hattie L.	Cranston, R. I.	Nova Scotia
	24	Alice Dorothy Sampson	John and Delia	Nova Scotia	Rockland, Me.
	26	Jacob Dries	Ferdinand and Helen	Germany	Germany
	27	Percy Henry Gunther	Emil H. and Elizabeth J.	Germany	Wales
Aug.	7	Dorothy Elizabeth Mahler	Charles and Mary	Plymouth	Cambridge
	9	Gladys Amy Sturks	Julia A. and Amy W.	Chelsea	Wareham
	11	Leno Palati	Amalinda and Delcisa	Italy	Italy
	12	Frances Mary Elizabeth Petacci	Piero and Gertrude	Rome	Naples
	13	Mabel Roxanna Woodward	Charles L. and Ruth H.	Nova Scotia	Plymouth
	13	Freda Elizabeth Kritzmacher	Jacob and Lena	Germany	Germany
	15	Ethel Olden Northrup	Charles and Angie	New Brunswick	Plymouth

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			FATHER.	MOTHER.
Aug. 21	Ervile Webster Schneider	John L. F. and Minnie W.	Pawtucket, R. I.	Hanson
22	Bertla Teresa Sauer,	Jacob and Barbara	Germany	Germany
22	Harold Currier	Waldo F. and May	Leominster	Mass.
25	Gustino Petisini	Joseph and Augusta	Italy	Italy
26	Clarence Clark Burgess	John S. and Grace H.	Plymouth	Plymouth
27	Rosie Gilli	Joseph and Clementina	Italy	Italy
27	Joseph Forenti	Luigi and Mary	Italy	Italy
28	Gladys May Gallagher	William H. and Almira A.	Nova Scotia	Plymouth
31	Oli-ver Ferreira	Joseph F. and Amelia	Fayal	Provincetown
31	Arthur Ferreira	Joseph F. and Amelia	Fayal	Provincetown
4	John Martin Perkins	John B. and Grace F.	Plymouth	Marblehead
Sept. 4	Hazel Loretta Wakefield	Charles A. and Catherine	Wells, Me.	Fitchburg, Mass.
9	Harold Nelson Henderson	Frank and Julia J.	Plymouth	Ireland
11	Mary Bashieri	Joseph and Augustina	Italy	Italy
13	Doris Hill Sherman	Leon A. and Flora	Plymouth	Cape Breton
14	William Arthur Reagan	Timothy A. and Mary E.	Lowell	Ireland
15	Ernest Anti	Salvini and Mary	Italy	Canada
16	Ethel Linwood Baker	Augustus E. and Jennie L.	Hyannis	Plymouth
16	Esther Linwood San pson	Melzar B. and Lucy L.	Plymouth	Plymouth
18	Elmer Warren Vaughan	Alfred W. and Arabella	Plymouth	Plymouth
19	Abbott Earl Johnson	Maruder and Luella M.	England	Neponset
21	Herbert Everson Caswell	Allen J. and Ada J.	Plymouth	Nova Scotia
22	Hazel May Leonard	William R. and Alice L.	Plymouth	Providence, R. I.
25	Ellen Theresa Shea	John F. and Josephine M.	Lawrence	St. Johns
25	Amelio Longhi	Louis and Rose	Italy	Italy
27	William Charles Abbott, Jr.	William C. and Elizabeth	England	Germany
27	Frank Churchill Dunlap	Elmer C. and Marcia J.	Plymouth	Plymouth

Sept.	28	Ivan Vernard Libby	Charles N. and Avira E.	Princeton	Maine
	28	Mitchell D. Cohen	Julius and Mary	Russia	Russia
Oct.	5.	John Cavicchi	Fred. and Aurilia	Italy	Italy
	7	Omer Eugene Saunce	Eugene and Selenia	France	France
	15	Harry Marks Kesnick	Louis and Ida	Russia	Russia
	20	Frank Lawrence	Frank and Annie	Azores	Azores
	20	Hazel Warren Schubert	Benjamin L. and Mary C.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	22	Phillip Edward Bittinger	Frederick W. and Lillian M.	Maine	Haverhill, N. H.
	22	Paul William Bittinger	Frederick W. and Lillian M.	Maine	Haverhill, N. H.
	22	Alice May Brewer	David and Emily J.	England	England
	24	Leota Ellsworth Holmes	Samuel N. and Julia A.	Plymouth	Maine
	24	Hazel May Landry	Simon A. and Mary L.	Nova Scotia	Philadelphia
	25	Jesse Alexander Fraser	Alexander L. and Jessie	Cape Breton	Cape Breton
	26	Harmon M. Bradford	Lothrop A. and Eleanor M.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	27	Laurence Leonard Smith	Patrick and Mary	Kingston	So. Boston
	29	—— Heath	Michael F. and Josephine	Plymouth	Nova Scotia
	31	Mary Elizabeth Williams	Frank A. and Annie C.	Trinidad	Richmond, Va.
Nov.	1	Mary Katharina Kuhn	John and Christina	Germany	Germany
	1	Henry F. Buchman	Louis and Elizabeth	Germany	Germany
	2	(Stillborn)	——	——	——
	4	Ingles Melvin Gay	William and Lydia	P. E. Island	Plymouth
	5	Egidis F. Morris	Frank and Mary	Italy	Italy
	6	Eva Malaguti	Antonio and Augusta	Italy	Italy
	7	Mabel Hathaway	—— Jennie	——	Abington
	7	Mary Brannecker	Marks F. and Winifred M.	Plymouth	England
	9	Norman Julius Pierson	Ernest S. and Isabel	Sweden	Plymouth
	11	Gladys May O'Neil	William J. and Mary L.	Nova Scotia	Cape Breton
	12	Almore Watson Burgess	Alton A. and Eldora M.	Plymouth	Plymouth
	18	—— Fortini	Amentori and Emma	Italy	Italy
	19	M. Margaret Nordstrom	Charles and Edlar	Sweden	Sweden
	20	—— Brown	Manuel S. and Frances G.	Fayal	Fayal
	23	Elizabeth Rogan	Joseph J. and Jennie F.	Lowell	Plymouth
	25.	Joseph Benati	Giovanni and Dina	Italy	Italy
	25	Daniel J. Ruprecht	—— Annie	——	Germany
	26	Armando Civolani	Iida and Delmina	Italy	Italy
	29	Framando Ardizoni	Lazaro and Marie	Italy	Italy
	30	Emile Louis Pickard	William L. and Mary V.	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia
	30	Eleanor Ferioli	Raffelli and Josephine	Italy	Italy
Dec.	1	Helen Valma Fratus	Joseph and Clara C.	Plymouth	Maine

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			FATHER.	MOTHER.
Dec. 5	Maurice Frances Keough	Thomas J. and Susan A.	Ireland	Plymouth
5	Florinda Nunes	Jessie and Catherine	Western Islands	Western Islands
6	Doris Howland	George and Emma W.	Plymouth	Plymouth
8	George Russell Bennett	Walter E. and Ida R.	Boston	Plymouth
8	Alfred Brooks Cobb	William H. and Jane M.	Plymouth	Plymouth
9	John Parsons Richardson	Robert and Susan E.	Plymouth	Nova Scotia
9	Michael Maier	Martin and Lizzie	Germany	Germany
12	George Ferdinand Grandi	Charles and Adalina	Italy	Italy
13	Edith Reed Wall	William E. and Marion A.	Plymouth	Plymouth
14	Timothy Francis Hartnett	Timothy C. and Agnes L.	Ireland	Plymouth
15	John Malaguti	Annabal and Augusta	Italy	Italy
15	Mamie Milner	Eiser and Hanner	Russia	Russia
15	Alfred Tröcchi	Ettore and Emma	Italy	Italy
15	Sadie Bass	Kasiel S. and Hannah	Austria	Hungary
16	Esther Marian Ward	Lynnan and Carrie M.	Carver	Sandwich
17	— Ducheldi	Calista and Malvina	Italy	Italy
20	Jane Charlotte Simmons	John F. and Jane C.	Duxbury	Chelsea, Mass.
19	John Peter Wigel	Carl and Lena	Germany	Germany
22	Gladys May Robbins	Clarence I. and Emma L.	Plymouth	P. E. Island
23	Laura Frances Wall	George W. and Annie H.	Plymouth	Marshfield
24	William J. Glover	John A. and Bessie A.	England	Manchester, N. H.
27	Ethel Marion Farham	Charles O. and Edna F.	Camden, Me.	China, Me.
30	Arvid Gilbert Rohdin	Albert and Augusta A.	Sweden	Sweden

DEATHS REGISTERED IN PLYMOUTH IN 1900.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.		CAUSE OF DEATH.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
		Y.	M. D.		
Jan. 1	Janette Handy	57	—	General paralysis	James Tribble and Mary Holmes
" 1	Solomon F. Webquish	75	4 4	Senile decay	Jesse and Prudence —
" 8	Joseph Nazzaro	2	4 —	Convulsions	James and Michelina Stracfulino
" 9	Francis C. Browne	70	— 18	Pneumonia (d.in Framingham)	Charles and Lucy C. Jackson
" 9	Mary T. Hall	94	5 3	Old age	Samuel N. Holmes and Mary Thomas
" 12	Mary Connors	—	— 3	Meuingitis	David H. and Mary Conway
" 12	Caroline Drew	83	7 20	Old age	William Tribble and Betsey Bradford
" 13	Elizabeth W. Browne	64	— —	Pneumonia (d.in Framingham)	John M. Goodwin and Emeline C. P.
" 14	Herman R. Finney	21	6 25	" "	Everett, jr., and Julia R. Wood [Goodwin
" 19	Elnathan Pierce	78	7 5	Old age	John Pierce and Lydia Clark
" 19	Warren S. Ellis	69	11 8	Heart disease	Eleazer and Lydia —
" 20	Paul Karle	50	— —	Pneumonia	Cornelius and Antonia Peter
" 22	Sarah W. Barnes	66	3 24	" "	Ebenezer Davie and Mercy B. Bradford
" 25	Caroline E. Peckham	69	7 9	" "	John Odell and Sarah Kelly
" 27	Barbara Gellar	11	9 —	Mitral disease	Nicholas and Annie Sumner
" 28	Robert Williams	82	5 25	Heart disease	James and Naoma Gay
" 29	Sarah Burton	89	4 28	" "	Lemuel Stephens and Sarah Morton
" 30	Lillian I. Welch	37	2 4	Pneumonia	Geo. T. Peckham and Caroline E. Odell
" 30	Lewis W. White	—	6 21	Meningitis	Percy F. and Edith L. Brown
" 30	Samuel H. Swift	72	— —	Chronic gastritis [failure	— Swift and —
" 31	Catherine A. Barrett	Unknown	— —	Bilious obstruction with heart	—
Feb. 2	Pietro Vercelloni	1	1 —	Group	Ballista and Francisca —
" 2	Georgianna Faber	43	4 —	Abdominal cancer [influenza	George B. Brewster and Nancy Westgate
" 4	Matilda Green	27	— —	Pernicious anæmia and	Nils and Anna —
" 8	Joseph R. Dunham	95	2 16	Cancer and old age	John and — Pike

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		Y.	M. D.		
Feb. 11	Margaret Ormond	93	—	Old age	Jonathan Eldridge and Melinda Bearse
" 13	Celestina Langford	72	5	Heart disease	—
" 14	—	—	—	Stillborn	—
" 18	Jennie McDonald	1	—	[Kingston) Pernicious anæmia (d. in	Murdock and Elizabeth McLean
" 19	Antone Gassar	30	—	Tuberculosis mesenterica	Charles and Kate Denner
" 19	—	—	—	Stillborn	—
" 22	William B. Alexander	71	2	Cancer	Samuel and Deborah Paty
" 23	Eunice Dunham Burt	62	—	Cancer of the heart	Edward Burt and Elizabeth Dunham
" 23	Ann E. Harlow	63	11	Typhoid pneumonia	David Harlow and Eliza S. Finney
Mar. 1	George F. Cushman	25	1	Chronic ulceration of stomach	Ferdinand and Annie S. Winslow
" 1	James E. Lewis	58	—	Disease of heart	Frank Lewis and —
" 2	Joanna S. Stillman	62	7	Diabetes (d. in Chelsea.)	Reuben Hall and Joanna King
" 3	Alice Cushing	33	5	Pul. tuberculosis (d. in Boston)	Charles Butler and Rebecca Sawyer
" 6	—	—	—	Still born	—
" 7	Eliza M. Long	71	—	Cerebral hemorrhage	Charles Bernard and —
" 8	Margaret Warren	90	1	Pneumonia [Brooklyn, N. Y.)	Zachariah Bartlett and Hannah Jackson
" 10	Gilbert Haynes	65	3	Valvular heart disease (died in	Gilbert and Lydia Churchill
" 13	Annie Anthony	—	—	Acids	Dominick and Mary Grasio
" 15	Elizabeth Edith Diot	—	—	Sick from birth, natural causes	Anthony and Eliza Macou
" 17	James W. Blackmer	66	—	Pneumonia (d. in Dorchester)	Branch and Phoebe Bartlett
" 17	Henry A. Atwood	64	—	Cancer of liver	Charles and Louisa Kelton
" 19	James H. Quigley	45	5	Suicide (d. in Abington)	John and Maria Fagan
" 20	Anna Morey	—	8	Croup (d. in Milford)	Joseph and Ellen O'Brien
" 25	Mary Cassidy	79	—	Carcinoma	Patrick McGlinchey and —
" 25	James E. Clarke	79	4	Heart disease	John and Sarah Doten

Mar.	29	Felicity Pickard	103	9	16	Bronchitis and old age	Paul Young and —
"	29	Harriet N. Robbins	85	10	—	Cerebral hemorrhage	George Robbins and Elizabeth Churchill
"	31	Jane A. Nickerson	63	10	—	Cancer of stomach	William McElroy and Jane A. —
April	1	Mary Crowley	36	—	—	Heart disease (d. in Dorchester)	Thomas Crowley and Catherine Regan
"	6	Rebecca Sampson	79	2	23	Influenza	George Perkins and —
"	10	Lucretia Swift	74	—	—	Senile decay	Samuel Cahoon and Polly —
"	10	Helen Whitman	74	11	1	Pneumonia	John Russell and Deborah Spooner
"	10	Lawrence E. Morton	—	—	8	Bronchitis	Maurice and Mabel B. Stevens
"	11	Patrick O'Hearn	75	—	—	Chronic cystitis and old age	Michael and Mary Dolan
"	12	Rebecca T. Grafton	75	—	—	Dementia and old age	Edward Trenchard and Elizabeth Sands
"	15	Lois T. Barnes	76	9	—	Disease of heart	Samuel W. Bagnell and Minerva Thomas
"	19	Seth D. Bennett	88	10	14	Old age	Nathaniel and Martha Newhall
"	20	Lora Grenison	—	10	—	Pneumonia	Henry and Minnie Millott
"	20	— Scanlon	—	—	—	Premature birth	Thomas E. and Ellen Keefe
"	21	Ellen M. Scanlon	32	—	—	Heart failure	Patrick Keefe and Catherine Scott
"	25	Chas. E. Taylor	—	3	—	Pneumonia (d. in Taunton)	Clarence E. and Annie E. Nauman
"	22	Alexander Gallarani	—	1	6	Feeble from birth	Alexander and Argas Bartochi
"	22	Sarah Ann Bartlett	60	10	—	Gastritis (d. in Boston)	— Watson and —
"	26	Joseph M. Sampson	62	5	14	Paralysis [Middleboro]	Sylvanus and Ann R. Deatley
May	1	Stephen D. Drew	87	7	2	Chronic nephritis (d. in	William and Sarah Sherman
"	2	Astorre L. Nicoli	—	3	—	Erythema, general	Cesore and Generosa Scra
"	6	Edward S. Shepard	31	7	—	Heart disease (d. in Sharon)	Horace S. and Hannah B. Spooner
"	9	Helen M. Bradford	58	2	4	Appendicitis (d. in Dorchester)	William Morey and — [Baron
"	10	Martha LeBaron Stoddard	83	7	17	Old age and weak heart [ysis	John B. Thomas and Mary Howland Le-
"	12	Mary S. Sampson	61	6	23	Chronic Brights disease, paral-	Reuben Leach and Mary M. Phinney
"	13	Mary T. Holmes	40	4	5	Rheumatic pericarditis [failure	Henry T. Whiting and Nancy C. Burgess
"	16	Lucy E. Ellis	72	6	—	Gradual paralysis with heart	David Whitman and Betsey Poole
"	21	Servia Finney	81	—	7	Old age	Nathan Burgess and Susanna Wright
"	23	Katherine Bastery	—	—	10	Feeble	Thomas and Teresa Carmondona
"	24	—	—	—	—	Still born	—
"	25	Mildred B. Skillings	10	2	27	Acute peritonitis	Ralph and Minnie W. Wade
"	25	Charles Arthur Laking	1	2	—	Disease of brain	Charles and Emma Neale

DEATHS (CONTINUED).

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.		CAUSE OF DEATH.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
		Y.	M. D.		
May 30	— Karlh	—	—	Dystocia	Julius and Lena Peck
June 2	Sarah W. Bumpus	83	3 30	Paralysis (d. in Carver)	Joseph Westgate and Sarah —
" 4	Margaret Ridenbush	23	1 15	Anemia and heart failure	Peter Heinrich and Margaret Feiter
" 5	Alice Noyes	42	— 9	Bright's disease and heart fail- [ure	John D. Manter and Janette Burgess
" 6	—	—	—	Stillborn [in Kingston)	
" 7	Marion Brown	78	4 2	Old age and heart disease (d.)	Thomas Swan and Margaret —
" 9	Jerusha W. Spooner	83	3 6	Cerebral hemorrhage	John McKensie and Mary Brewster
" 10	William S. Morissey	57	—	Heart disease	John and Mary Skinner
" 12	Mary D. Robbins	73	8 26	Chronic nephritis	John Wade and — Heckman
" 13	Rosa Baratta	37	2 19	Disease of heart	Antonio and Filemena Baratta
" 14	William C. Harlow	40	10 11	Suicide by shooting	Ezra and Catherine Covington
" 14	Frank H. Kent	33	4 15	Drowned	Horace and Lucy —
" 14	Emeline F. Willoughby	59	—	Chronic tuberculosis	Thomas Rand and Emlene Clarke
" 20	Henry Burgess	78	7 15	Senility (d. in Brockton)	Nathan and Susan Wright
" 21	Emma Ridenbush	—	— 24	Feeble from birth. [Wash.)	Carl and Margaret Henrich
" 22	Sarah E. Pratt	42	—	Tuberculosis (d. in Spokane,	Harvey and Sarah A. Hathaway
" 24	Adrianna S. Austin	46	4 5	Rheumatism (d. in Lynn)	Benjamin Pierce and Lydia Chandler
" 24	Edward Thompson	74	9 9	Heart disease	Calvin and Margaret Richardson
" 26	Winslow B. S. Fisher	25	6 7	Consumption	Consider H. and Adalade Ellis
" 28	Joseph Gellar	13	3 22	Valvular disease of heart	Peter and Mary Ruprecht
" 28	Sarah J. Raymond	72	8 6	Disease of heart	Eden M. Ripley and Sarah Holden
" 28	Benjamin B. Gooding	87	5 2	Pyelitis	John and Deborah Barnes
" 30	Mildred V. McDonald	5	— 8	Scarlet fever	Joseph and Elizabeth Mahler
July 1	Margaret M. Bartlett	72	4 10	Old age (d. in New York)	Matthew Wessels and Phebe Tice
" 1	Willard C. Donnell	26	8 —	Malaria and general debility	George W. and Virginia Waterhouse

July	6	Abbie M. Grant	49	5	9	Coma (d. in Spencer)	Thomas Grafton and Charlotte Wood
"	7	Manuel Cunha	34	—	—	Accidental drowning [disease	Manuel and Mary Joseph
"	8	Cordelia Hensley	8	—	—	Natural causes, probably heart	John H. and —
"	14	Seth Mahuren	59	—	—	Tuberculosis	Seth and Nancy Pierce
"	15	Nicholas Schneider	—	5	15	Marasmus	John and Margaret Mowna
"	17	Margaret H. Robbins	62	—	—	Chronic Bright's disease	Henry H. and Mercy M. Eddy
"	18	Albert L. Fernald	—	8	21	Whooping cough and conges-	W. Frank and Alice V. Jones
"	20	—	—	—	—	Stillborn	—
"	20	Ada L. Walker	15	10	12	Pulmonary phthisis [of heart	John G. and Ada A. Chase
"	23	— Torrance	39	3 hrs	—	Congenital malformation	George H. and Mary Quinlan
"	24	Jennie A. Whiting	37	—	—	Tuberculosis	George Cooper and Almira Bartlett
"	24	Anna Asting	77	4	—	Consumption	Asting and Anna Montney
"	25	John B. S. Hadaway	20	—	—	Cerebral hemorrhage	Thomas and Frances Seymour
"	27	Bridget Gilvary	5	1	18	Consumption	Francis and Anne McGowen
"	28	Fred E. Morse	—	1	5	Tubercular meningitis	Charles A. and Alice M. Parker
"	28	John Craualba	—	—	—	Congenital syphilis	John and Eva Oliver
Aug.	3	Lizzie Page Howland	45	—	—	Consumption	Jacob and Betsey P. Page
"	3	Eliza King	34	—	—	Uremic poisoning	Peter and Harriet Boudrot
"	3	Charles Cromwell	74	—	—	Carcinoma of stomach [ston]	—
"	4	George F. Hadaway	25	9	6	Tetanus [of brain (d. in King-	Augustus S. and Nancy L. Finney
"	6	Mary E. Sweeney	1	1	21	Whooping cough and e'ng'st'n	Edward and Kate Ryan
"	17	Robert Armando	—	3	—	Cholera Infantum	Alphonso and Rosa Branchini
"	21	William Pierce	92	—	—	Old age	John and —
"	21	Samuel Robertson	67	—	—	Marasmus	David and Mary Cornish
"	23	Louisa W. Field	47	7	15	Septicæmia (d. in Lynn)	Winslow Allen and Louisa Nash
"	25	Helen Rasmussen	46	8	23	Capillary bronchitis	Arnold and Josephine Hanson
"	27	Charles O. Bartlett	52	5	4	Pyo-nephrosis (d. in Boston)	Charles D. and Charlotte Haywood
"	28	Elizabeth Lewis Dunham	62	—	1	Nephritis	Edwin Lewis and Elizabeth Holmes
"	28	Margaret F. Morton	65	22	—	Cancer of breast (d. in Boston)	Lemuel and Hannah S. Holmes
"	28	Frederick J. Bemis	57	7	19	Dysentery [complications	Pearson and Betsey Jackson
Sept.	1	Mary Long	—	3	16	Dysentery with heart	Benjamin Holmes and Penelope Swift
"	5	Arthur Ferreira	—	—	5	Constitutional weakness	Joseph J. and Amelia Victorina

DEATHS (CONTINUED.)

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.		CAUSE OF DEATH.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
		Y.	M. D.		
Sept. 6	John Jacob Schneider	72	—	Cerebral hemorrhage [ston]	Charles and —
" 9	Lena Martin	—	9	Cholera infantum (d. in King-	Henry and Lena Winter
" 9	Alfred Pimentel	—	—	Whooping cough and conges-	Joseph J. and Mary Da Conceicao
" 12	Cynthia P. Brown	61	—	Heart failure [tion of brain	George and —
" 12	William J. Callahan	1	3 2	Burns	Daniel P. and Mary Maglathlin
" 19	Hiram S. Purrington	58	8	Paralysis (d. in Worcester)	William S. and Lydia C. Sturtevant
" 20	Joanna Sullivan	52	—	Typhoid fever (d. in Whitman)	Jeremiah Murray and Elizabeth Lynch
" 21	Anna Harrison	65	—	Bronchitis (d. in Boston)	Nathaniel Russell and Catherine Elliott
" 21	Herman Fairchild Holmes	3	5 2	Malnutrition	Herman and Anna F. Dean
" 22	Edgar C. Raymond	75	2 2	Valvular disease	George and Priscilla Shaw
" 23	Emma M. Frost	49	—	Dropsy	Jesse Sanderson and Mariela Turner
" 24	Thomas Atwood	56	10	Locomotor atoxia	Thomas and Mercy Atwood
" 25	Emma G. Voght	17	—	Endocarditis and nephritis	Casper H. and Emma Tromner
" 25	Manuel Andrew	28	—	Pneumonia (d. in Carver)	Golden and Inez —
" 25	Catherine W. Barnes	84	2 3	Nephritis (d. in Dorchester)	[Harlow
" 26	Addie C. Weeks	39	11 13	Pneumonia (d. in Brookline)	Albert C. Chandler and Adeline F.
" 30	Annie Muti	52	—	Interstitial hepatitis	John and Rosa Mass
Oct. 6	Lawrence Sampson	6	6 1	Cerebro spinal meningitis	George H. and Lucia Baumgartner
" 12	Isabel F. Mann	24	1 21	Child birth, exhaustion	Albert and Carrie Benton
" 14	Robert Nichols	43	7 10	Contusion of brain	Robert and Eunice Hill
" 17	Regina Perrault	8	5	Gangrene of lungs [Taunton]	Zotigue and Euerille Viau
" 17	John H. Drommer	30	—	Pneumonia paresis (d. in	Henry and Babette Meinhardt
" 27	Abram Howland	71	4 10	Jutra cranial hemorrhage	John and Nancy Lucas
" 27	Tor, Erick Gustav Norstedt	26	—	Accidentally killed	—
Nov. 1	Elwin L. Brewster	27	5 20	Multiple sarcoma of omentum	Martin and Emily Benson

Nov.	1	Cezar Penor	25	10	16	Pneumonia (d. in Carver)	Phillip and ——— Gezunia
"	1	Julia Lamond	73	2	4	Kidney disease	—— Davis and ——— Collins
"	2	——	—	—	—	Still born	——
"	4	James C. Nicol	70	—	6	Exhaustion (d. in Milton)	Adam and Margaret Gibson [Baron
"	7	Hannah S. Davis	79	—	—	Disease of heart	John B. Thomas and Mary Howland Le-
"	11	Roxanna Lamb Peterson	79	—	1	Paralysis	Joseph Howard and Sally R. Lamb
"	12	Irma LaDrew Eddy	—	6	6	Tubercular Meningitis	James T. and Charlotte Covell
"	15	Margaret Peck	63	8	12	Consumption	—— Hilkeni and ———
"	17	Eliza T. Whitmarsh	80	—	—	Disease of heart	Ebenezer and Eliza Witherley
"	21	Ingenisco C. Pugh	17	2	7	Consumption	Samuel L. Carr and Martha E. Pugh
"	25	Abner Leonard	58	—	—	Uremia	Abner and Zilpha Morton
"	29	Elizabeth Gallagher	—	3	1	Consumption	William H. and Elmira Robbins
Dec.	6	Albert Lester Smith	7	2	26	Diphtheria (d. in Cambridge)	Albert and Emeliza Hipson
"	8	Anne M. Stephens	85	4	16	Pneumonia [Waltham]	Lawson Buckminster and Nancy Howe
"	10	Jacob Henrich	17	9	25	Organic brain disease (d. in	Jacob and Annie Becking
"	11	Elfleda L. Chandler	24	11	16	Pleuritis angina pectoris (d. in Carver)	Charles F. King and Susan S.
"	13	Lucia R. Weston	50	7	3	Carcinoma (d. in Falmouth)	Stephen G. Cahoon and Susan T. Ray-
"	17	Sarah A. Mace	92	—	4	Cerebral Apoplexy	Nathaniel Pitman and Abigail Sherburne
"	18	Gladys Amy Sturks	—	4	9	Pneumonia	John A. and Amy W. Perry
"	19	Georgianna Rickard	58	7	24	Valvular heart disease	William Hall and Susan Bagnell
"	20	Elizabeth Russell	85	—	—	Pneumonia	Thomas and Mary Ann Goodwin
"	22	Gessie Ann Waters	42	2	13	Nephritis	Alexander Crouse and Grace Tulloch
"	23	Joseph G. Smith	75	2	23	Intestinal obstruction after [operation	Gardner and Rachel Pierce
"	24	Jane Charlotte Simmons	38	2	17	Kidney and heart disease	Forster Earl and Sarah Abel
"	26	Amos Green	81	9	14	Pneumonia	Richard and ———
"	28	Joseph W. Caldwell	50	11	—	Old age	William and Betsey A. Tribou
"	29	Emile Eugene Verre	88	2	11	Consumption	Thomas and Anna ———
"	31	Mary A. Anderson	25	1	29	Consumption	James T. Eddy and Mary A. Wall

SUMMARY.

The following are the statistics of births, marriages, and deaths, registered in Plymouth for the year ending December 31, 1900.

BIRTHS.

Number registered,		221
Males,	114	
Females,	107	

 The parentage is as follows:

Both parents born in—

United States,	85
Italy,	34
Germany,	23
Sweden,	5
England,	2
Russia,	6
British Provinces,	12
Western Islands,	4
Ireland,	1
France,	1
Azores,	1
Mixed, one American,	39
Mixed, neither American,	8

MARRIAGES.

Number of marriages registered in 1900,	98
Both parties born in—	
United States,	40

Germany,	3
Portugal,	1
Italy,	18
British Province,	5
Sweden,	3
Mixed, one American,	25
Mixed, neither American,	3

DEATHS.

Number of deaths registered, 192, of which 42 occurred out of town, burial taking place in Plymouth.

Born in—

United States,	161
Germany,	6
England,	2
Ireland,	6
France,	1
Sweden,	2
British Provinces,	5
Scotland,	3
Italy,	2
Portugal,	1
Cape DeVerde Islands,	2
Unknown,	1

TWELFTH ANNUAL.
REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth:

PARK ACCOUNT.

The undrawn balance from 1899 was	\$18 75	
Appropriation,	750 00	
44 cords of wood sold at Morton Park,	110 00	
Bath house permits at Beach Park,	6 00	
		\$884 75

Expenses for Morton Park.

Cutting and carting wood, trimming trees and burning brush,	\$296 15	
Labor on roads and paths,	170 51	
Axes, \$9.46; printing, \$7.50,	16 96	
		\$483 62

Burton Park.

Clearing grounds, transplanting and trimming shrubs,	6 00
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Bates Park.

Labor on walks, trees and shrubs,	\$17 30	
Dressing, \$3; painting settees, \$1,	4 00	
221 tons soil, \$110.50; grading, 7.60,	118 10	
		\$139 40

Beach Park.

Labor clearing up grounds,	\$11 50	
Repairing and painting settees,	6 00	
Care of park by Harry L. Sampson,	15 00	
Lock and dipper,	40	
Deficiency in appropriation for waiting room,	20 71	
	<hr/>	\$53 61
Undrawn balance,		202 12
		<hr/>
		\$884 75

BEACH PARK ACCOUNT.

Special appropriation for waiting room,	\$300 00	
Received from park appropriation,	20 71	
Total receipts,	<hr/>	\$320 71

Expenses.

Carpenter work,	\$191 76	
Plumbing,	110 00	
Painting, \$15.20; labor, \$3.75,	18 95	
	<hr/>	\$320 71

TRAINING GREEN ACCOUNT.

Undrawn balance from 1899,	\$6 60	
Appropriation,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$206 60

Expenses.

Labor on gravel walks,	\$39 56	
Labor on board walks,	10 09	
Lawn mower, \$7.50; ashes, \$10.13,	17 63	
Care of grounds by B. E. Blackmer,	125 00	
Undrawn balance,	14 32	
	<hr/>	\$206 60

The balance of the appropriation for parks will be used to pay for cutting wood in January and February.

MORTON PARK.

It is well known that coppice, or sprout growth, such as constitutes the bulk of our woods, is short lived. Many such trees in the park have reached the limit of their growth and are beginning to decay. It is the aim of your commissioners to develop the good seedling trees, and to add to their number and variety as fast as practicable. We wish to preserve the forest character of the park, but to make it more truly a forest,—composed of fine individual trees which will grow for generations, always increasing in grandeur. To do this necessitates the cutting of many inferior trees which are losing their vitality and beauty, or choking the growth of promising seedlings, or occupying desirable places for planting trees which will be needed to maintain the forest when the coppice dies.

While trimming near the westerly side of Little Pond, in order to give room for the growth of some promising white pines, a fine view of this pond was opened unexpectedly; this view can be much enlarged without interfering with our general plan for improving the park.

A few years ago Mr. George P. Hayward gave some young black spruce and balsam fir trees to the park. These were set out in prominent places and are much valued,—especially because neither spruce nor fir is native to our woods. We regret to say that some of these fine young trees were stolen this winter—presumably for Christmas trees; they may have been taken by thoughtless persons who only considered the pleasure the trees would give when used for Christmas, but the commissioners must insist that no trees or shrubs in the park shall be removed or mutilated.

The bridge over the dam will soon need to be rebuilt or thoroughly repaired. It may be better to abandon this crossing, bridge the brook about one hundred and fifty feet higher up the stream, and so improve the grade of the road on the southerly side of the brook.

PROPOSED ADDITION.

Only nine acres of this park lie on the southerly side of the brook. The chairman of the board has now succeeded in buying about nineteen acres more land on the same side of the brook, adjoining the park lands nearly all the way from Deepwater Bridge to Billington Sea, and including about three hundred and fifty feet more of the shore of Billington Sea. A road has been built which gives easy access to the land, and paths wind through it in various directions.

About twelve and a half acres of the most desirable parts of this land, including the road, will be offered as a gift to the town next March for an addition to Morton Park. We consider that this tract of land would be a very valuable addition to the park and could be maintained at small expense.

BEACH PARK.

The new waiting room at this park has served its purpose very satisfactorily. It was placed several feet above the foundation of the building which was washed away by the great storm of 1898.

The barrier placed on the beach in 1899 to aid in collecting the drifting sand and seaweed has raised the height of the beach in and around the barrier, which indicates that by such means the beach could be raised enough to prevent the highest tides from flowing over it.

The new outlet of Eel River to the sea has been closed twice by sand until the river got high enough to break through the beach again, each time breaking through a little

further south than the previous opening. If the outlet continues to move southerly it may not be long before the river will find a direct outlet from the easterly end of the bridge to the sea.

BURTON PARK.

With the growth of the shrubbery at this park, some can be spared and used to advantage at Bates Park.

BATES PARK.

A favorable opportunity was used this year to increase the depth of soil on about one-third of the surface of this little park. The whole surface now has sufficient soil to maintain a good grass lawn, which, with the trees and shrubs, will make an attractive feature in that neighborhood.

TRAINING GREEN.

Notwithstanding the long-continued dry weather of last summer and fall, the grass on this public square remained green. This was probably due to the dressing of wood ashes which it received in early spring, and to the close cutting of the grass through the season. The care given to the grounds keeps them always neat and pleasing to the eye.

We ask for an appropriation of seven hundred and fifty dollars for parks, and of one hundred and eighty dollars for Training Green.

NATHANIEL MORTON,
GEORGE R. BRIGGS,
WALTER H. SEARS.

Park Commissioners.

PLYMOUTH, MASS., December 31, 1900.

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth:

Section 1, Chapter 330, Acts of 1899, is as follows:

"Every town *shall* at its annual meeting for the election of town officers elect a tree warden, who shall serve for one year and until his successor is elected and qualified. He may appoint such number of deputy tree wardens as he deems expedient, and may at any time remove them from office. He and his deputies shall receive such compensation for their services as the town may determine, and, in default of such determination, as the selectmen may prescribe. He shall have the care and control of all public shade trees in the town, except those in public parks or open places under the jurisdiction of park commissioners, and of these also he shall take the care and control if so requested in writing by the park commissioners. He shall expend all funds appropriated for the setting out and maintenance of such trees. He may prescribe such regulations for the care and preservation of such trees, enforced by suitable fines and forfeitures, not exceeding twenty dollars in any one case, as he may deem just and expedient; and such regulations, when approved by the selectmen and posted in two or more public places in the town, shall have the force and effect of town by-laws. It shall be his duty to enforce all provisions of law for the preservation of such trees."

No appropriation was made by the town under this law.

ACCOUNT.

The Selectmen allowed the tree warden a salary of	\$300 00
Received from P. & K. Street Railway Co. for	
permission to remove two trees,	35 00
Received from Plymouth Gas Light Co. for	
killing two trees by gas,	32 37

Received from sundry other parties,	13 40
Total receipts,	<u>\$380 77</u>

EXPENDED.

Labor of trimming and setting out trees,	\$238 29
Saws, ropes, climbers and other tools,	16 61
Printing,	3 00
Traveling expenses of W. F. Gale of Spring- field, specialist on effect of gas on trees,	6 00
Trees, wire, bolting and counting trees,	11 35
Part of cost of trimming trees on the route of the electric wires,	80 00
Salary remaining for other work to be done,	<u>25 52</u>
	\$380 77

About \$150 of the above was spent in June and July for trimming trees to make head-room over sidewalks and room for vehicles in the streets.

Trees on the westerly side of the street from Kingston line to Cliff street had been much burned by the electric light and electric railroad wires. The plan proposed by the tree warden was to have the wires removed from the trees wherever there was liability of further damage; to have the electric light wires supported on arms over the sidewalk and the railroad wires on arms over the street; and to trim the trees whatever might be necessary to give room for the wires; but when the dead and badly burned limbs were removed, it was found, in most cases, that the wires had made so much room for a route through the middle of the trees as to make it less objectionable to allow the wires to remain in the trees than to trim both sides of the trees for new routes. The cost of such trimming was \$179.23, paid equally by the two electric companies. The cost of other needed trimming of the trees on the route of the electric wires was \$80, included in the above account.

Our public shade trees have never had the pruning that growing trees require to develop the best forms and ensure the longest life. To trim what is now needed to promote the best growth of the trees, remove surplus limbs and limbs hanging too low over buildings and streets, and thereby lessen the dangers of public travel, would require an estimated outlay of at least \$600. One-half of this sum can be expended to the best advantage in March and April.

If the power given by law to the tree warden is rigidly enforced, the larger trees through which the electric wires pass may live and thrive for many years yet—but it would seem to be useless to plant more trees under the electric wires with any expectation of making large and beautiful trees, subject as the growing branches would be to chafings and burnings impossible to prevent. Not only on streets where electric wires are, or soon may be, but on many other streets, it would be most desirable to plant trees on the abutting lands several feet from the outside line of the street, the law authorizing towns to appropriate money for shade trees to be set out, by consent of the owner of the land, not over twenty feet from the street line.

The electric companies have been advised of their liability to the town for all damages done to trees by their wires. As tree warden I should make no claim for damages done this year before the month of October, the time when the route of the wires had been cleared by trimming. The experience we have had with the New England Telephone & Telegraph Co. on the route from Plymouth to Carver is a warning of the danger of permitting telephone and electric companies to trim or cut trees on the highway, and shows the necessity of doing such work ourselves at their expense.

THE IMPORTED ELM LEAF BEETLE.

The following quotations are abstracts from a circular of Prof. Robert A. Cooley, of the Hatch Experiment Station, Amherst, 1896:

"The elm leaf beetle is a native of Europe, but made its first appearance in this country about sixty years ago, and, though it has long been present in the sea-board states south of us, it was not known to occur in Massachusetts till the summer of 1895."

"The insects pass the winter as perfect or adult beetles, in cracks of fences, piles of boards, etc., as well as in houses, barns, and other accessible places. They begin to appear the following spring, a little before the buds of the elm open, and continue to come out for two or three weeks. The females lay their eggs in clusters of from five to twenty, on the under side of the young leaves, and then die. The eggs are orange yellow in color. . . . In about a week these eggs hatch, and it is in the larval stage that the greater part of the feeding is done."

"A full grown larva is about half an inch in length, and has a wide dorsal stripe of yellow, with a lateral stripe of the same color on each side. The greater part of the head and legs and the posterior portion of the last segment of the body are black."

"As soon as the young are hatched, they begin to feed, which they continue to do for about two weeks, but as the eggs do not all hatch at once, the larvæ may be found on the trees for a much longer period of time. When the larvæ have finished feeding, they crawl down the trunk of the tree in search of a place to pupate. The ground at the base of the tree appears to be the normal place for pupation, though many transform in crevices of the bark before reaching the ground, while others drop from the limbs, especially when they bend down near the ground."

"The pupa is uniform light yellow, oval in shape, more rounded on the back than on the ventral side, and is considerably shorter and broader than the full grown larva."

"In from six to ten days the perfect beetles emerge, and, after feeding on the leaves for a short time, seek their winter

quarters, where they remain till the following spring. The perfect beetle averages about a quarter of an inch in length and is yellowish brown in color, with three more or less apparent longitudinal, blackish stripes on the back. Farther south there are two distinct broods of the insect each year, but in our latitude it is not probable that there is more than one, though a partial second brood may occur."

REMEDIAL MEASURES.

"In fighting these insects we may follow two lines of operation, according as they are few in number or abundant. Where there are but few, it may be as well to watch for and kill the pupæ at the base of the trees. This is of great importance, since the larvæ from a few beetles, if allowed to lay their eggs, will do much damage. The loose bark of the trunk and larger limbs should be scraped off, that as many of the insects as possible may descend to the ground, and then once in four or five days those which have collected should be killed. This may be done by hand, where they are only scattering, or by the application of some contact insecticide, as boiling water, or kerosene emulsion diluted four times. If individual tree owners would care for their trees in the manner outlined, a great deal might be done to check the advance of this pest. Where the insects are numerous, more active measures must be adopted. If anything like thorough work is desired, it is of great importance to kill the beetles themselves when they first appear on the trees in the spring."

"Next in importance to the killing of the beetles is the killing of the larvæ, as they appear two or three weeks after the unfolding of the leaves."

Killing the beetles and larvæ is done by spraying the leaves with arsenate of lead much diluted.

If our town does what is needed in the year 1901 to best protect public shade trees, the tree warden may not be able to attend to trees on private grounds in the short time when

the elm leaf beetle can be fought to the best advantage. This pest has spread so completely through the central part of the town that to avoid great harm to the trees every individual may need to protect his own trees. The tree warden can supply arsenate of lead and kerosene emulsion to parties for their own use more conveniently and cheaply than they can be made in small quantities.

This insect pest was first known in Plymouth about four years ago, but its ravages were not much noticed until July, 1900, when the yellow grubs were found in large numbers upon the ground near the trunks of trees and in the bark; the leaves of many of the trees had been much eaten by the larvæ. A visit to Framingham and Springfield, where they had been fighting the pest a few years, gave us much valuable information as to methods of treatment. All that could be done to advantage so late in the year was to scrape the loose bark from the trees as high as could be reached from the ground, sweep together the bark, grubs, and any larvæ and beetles that were found, and burn the whole mass; then to spray the trunk and limbs with kerosene emulsion to the height of fifteen to twenty feet and the ground to some extent, to kill any insects that might be crawling or hiding within reach of the spray. To pay the probable cost of such work, the Selectmen authorized the tree warden to draw from the town treasury to the amount of \$200.

Paid for—

A force pump and fixtures,	\$28 33
200 feet of hose, nozzles, coupling, and rubber tubing,	30 40
Scraping tools, \$7.23; kerosene oil, \$21.42.	28 65
Whale oil soap and carbolic acid,	7 43
Labor, \$104.40; trip to Springfield, \$8,	112 40
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	\$207 21
Received from 18 parties for scraping and spraying trees on private land,	19 90
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Amount of appropriation used,	\$187 31

By actual count there are about 1,200 large and 600 small elm trees in the streets and other public places in the town, not including cemeteries. In the list of small trees are put all that can be sprayed to their tops without climbing into the trees and which need no scraping. The most of the large trees should be scraped to the height of twelve to twenty feet to remove the beetles now hiding under the loose bark and in cavities in the limbs and trunk; such scrapings should be burned immediately. This work should all be done before April. Much of the scraping has to be done on ladders and would cost two hundred and fifty dollars, or more.

Spraying the leaves with arsenate of lead, much diluted, should begin about the middle of May and continue about six weeks, the interval between the first and last hatchings of larvæ. A few weeks later, as the yellow grubs (pupæ) begin to form, is the time to spray the trunks and ground with kerosene emulsion and destroy what would otherwise be the seed for the next crop of beetles.

The city of Springfield, by its city forester, William F. Gale, had 15,000 trees sprayed in the spring of 1900, a larger proportion of them than of ours being small trees. To do the work sixty-five men were employed the most of the time for six weeks, making thirteen working gangs, each with a team carrying pumping machinery and materials; two of the pumps being driven by steam power. Some trees were sprayed twice. The trees had been trimmed and scraped in previous years. The total cost of labor and materials for spraying was four thousand, two hundred and twenty-six dollars, or an average cost of about thirty cents per tree, but some trees cost over five dollars to spray them. Mr. Gale believes it is economy in the end to do the work thoroughly and spray all the elms in a district so much infested with beetles as ours is. To work to advantage we would probably need as many as three gangs of men, each with team and pump worked by man power.

Estimate of appropriation needed for 1901 :	
For trimming trees in early spring,	\$300 00
For scraping trees in March,	250 00
For pumps, hose and other tools,	200 00
Labor and materials for spraying leaves in	
May and June,	500 00
Final spraying to kill the grubs,	150 00
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Total,	\$1,400 00
and services of tree warden,	?

Trimming trees before spraying would reduce the amount to be sprayed and facilitate the movement of men in the trees.

I take this opportunity to thank the Selectmen for their unwavering support of all measures which I have felt it the duty of the tree warden to try to carry out, also to thank the citizens for their general approval of the methods used in trimming trees on the line of the electric road, where the necessities of the case required what, without full investigation, might seem to be too much trimming. I must decline further service at the end of the current term.

NATHANIEL MORTON,

Tree Warden.

PLYMOUTH, MASS., December 31, 1900.

PLYMOUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

The Directors of the Library respectfully make the following report of the work of the Library during the past year and of its present condition, viz:—

Bound volumes added for circulation in 1900,	425
Bound volumes withdrawn from circulation in 1900,	<u>37</u>

Total gain in volumes for circulation in 1900,	388
Bound volumes added for reference in 1900.	<u>87</u>

Total number of bound volumes added in 1900,	475
Unbound volumes and pamphlets added in 1900,	<u>86</u>

Total number of additions in 1900,	561
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Number of volumes for circulation, Jan. 1, 1900,	10,502
Number of volumes for circulation added during 1900,	<u>388</u>

Total number of volumes for circulation, Jan.

1, 1901. 10,890

Volumes in Reference Department, Jan. 1,	
1900,	2,324
Volumes added in 1900.	<u>87</u>

Total number of volumes for reference,	<u>2,411</u>
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Total number of bound volumes in Library,	
Jan. 1, 1901.	13,301

Books given out for circulation during 1900—

History,	1,052
Biography,	825

Travels,	857
Poetry,	325
Literature,	1,717
Fiction,	28,349
Science,	753
Theology,	152
Miscellaneous,	385
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Total circulation for the year,	34,415

The following magazines and periodicals are provided in the Reading Room for the use of the public, viz :—

Harper's Monthly.
 Harper's Weekly.
 Atlantic Monthly.
 Century Magazine.
 Scribner's Magazine.
 New England Magazine.
 McClure's Magazine.
 St. Nicholas.
 Review of Reviews.
 North American Review.
 Forum.
 Popular Science Monthly.
 Scientific American, and Supplement.
 Cosmopolitan.
 Youth's Companion.
 New York Tribune.
 Plymouth Free Press. (Gift of the publishers.)
 Union Signal. (Gift of local W. C. T. U.)
 Magazine of Art.
 Library Journal.
 Public Libraries.

The last three to be had on application to the Librarian.

By joining the Library Art Club, the Library has been able, during the year, to give exhibitions in the Reading

Room of many fine collections of photographs of various subjects, such as the art collections of Rome and Florence, the country and manner of life in Japan, the Sandwich Islands, etc., etc.

Towards the close of the year Miss Mary G. Bartlett of Plymouth generously presented to the Library her collection of about 3,000 photographs of the finest paintings, works of art and specimens of architecture of Europe, collected by her during her annual trips abroad during the past ten or twelve years.

This beautiful and valuable gift is now being arranged, classified and indexed, and, when ready for the use of the public, will prove to be a most valuable addition to the Library.

Since the beginning of the new year the Library has received another gift, the most valuable and important in its history. Mrs. Lydia G. R. Allen, Mrs. Marion R. Townsend, and Mr. Thomas Russell of Boston, the children of the late William G. Russell and Mary Ellen (Hedge) Russell, both natives of Plymouth, desirous of erecting in Plymouth a memorial to their parents, offered to present to the Library, for its use, a Memorial Building costing about \$20,000.

This generous offer was immediately and gratefully accepted by the Library, and a most desirable lot on the southerly side of North street, including the row of historic linden trees on the front, has been secured for the location of the new Building, which will be erected at once.

For the Directors,

WILLIAM HEDGE, *President*.

PLYMOUTH, Feb. 1, 1901.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1900.

Thirty-three complaints have been made and investigated by the Board this year, and such remedies applied to the faulty conditions as were practicable. In ten instances it was found necessary to require owners to connect their property with the sewer provided by the town, instead of using primitive and defective methods of disposing of their sewage. These requirements of the Board have all been met. In one instance property was found, upon investigation, to be in such an unsanitary condition that it was ordered abandoned until it could be rendered suitable for habitation in the opinion of the board.

The record of contagious diseases reported to the Board is as follows:—

Diphtheria,	1
Scarlet Fever,	11
Typhoid Fever,	4
Measles,	31

Making a total of 47 as compared with 198 last year. The larger number for that period is due, however, to an epidemic of measles, 183 cases having been reported. Typhoid fever is decreasing, twice as many cases having been reported last year, while scarlet fever shows seven more cases this year. Against one case of membranous croup and two of diphtheria last year we have but one case of diphtheria this year.

The State Board of Health now offers to provide gratuitously to local boards culture tubes and antitoxin for the

early and accurate diagnosis and treatment of diphtheria, requiring only in the case of the former that the physicians who make use of them keep a careful record of their cases on blanks provided for the purpose. In the case of the antitoxin, however, not only is a record to be kept, but its use is to be confined to persons unable to pay for it. Your Board has been provided with culture tubes and antitoxin since the month of August, but unfortunately the culture tubes deteriorate, and it has been very difficult to replace them when necessary, as the demand for them from the State Board has been so great. They may be obtained by physicians who desire to use them at Cooper's pharmacy.

The complaints of vile odors arising from the man-holes of the main sewer, noted in the report for last year, resulted in a visit by one of the engineers of the State Board, Mr. Hyde, who inspected the sewers and found them perfectly efficient, but requiring a little more thorough and frequent flushing, as they were becoming more or less clogged with a fungus growth in places where the current is not strong. There has been no further trouble in this direction.

Analyses of the water of Elder Brewster Spring have been made from time to time, as advised by the State Board, and it has been found uniformly potable.

In various vacant lots throughout the town one notices certain disfiguring and possibly disease breeding accumulations of refuse. No sooner is one eye-sore removed than two break out in its place. The cast-off material which furnishes these unsightly places is a legitimate and certain product of the activities of the time, and there is absolutely no provision for its disposition. The Board of Health proposes to provide two public dumps, one to be located in the south, and one in the north part of the town, to direct the deposition of all proper material upon them, and to see that they are maintained in good condition, the refuse being occasionally burned as it accumulates. The site for one of these

dumps has already been secured near the "pest house" lot, and will be put into suitable condition for use as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

The desirability of having some sort of isolation hospital ready in case of emergency is impressed upon us at present by the prevalence of small-pox in towns at no great distance from us. It is obviously unwise to wait until the necessity arises, and then hurriedly construct a building which is inadequate, the time when it would have been useful very likely having passed before it is completed. The first cases of small-pox occurring in a community are generally among transients who are living in public houses or other quarters where isolation would be impossible, but even with every advantage in the way of isolation any case in the midst of a community is a menace to that community. There should then be some sort of building, however simple, erected well outside the thickly settled portion of the town, which could be made ready in a few hours for the reception of any case of contagious disease which it might seem best to isolate.

Respectfully submitted.

J. HOLBROOK SHAW,
FREDERICK D. BARTLETT,
JOSIAH MORTON.

Board of Health.

SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES. REPORT.

The following is respectfully presented as the report of the Superintendent of Cemeteries for the year 1900.

During the past year no radical changes have been attempted in the management of our cemeteries, the main object being to give a more permanent character to the work done, making such changes in former methods as would contribute to that end. I think I can safely say that there has been a material increase in the natural beauty and attractiveness of the cemeteries, and that the appropriations have been carefully expended. There are, however, many things which ought to be done if we, as a town, are to rank anywhere near our neighboring communities in the condition of our burying places.

The receiving tomb, concerning which action was taken, still remains to be built.

The fences around the cemeteries are very much out of repair, and should be attended to.

The entrances are in poor shape, especially the one on Samoset street, and the avenues are in need of extensive repairs.

The water supply is inadequate, but can be easily remedied if acted upon in a systematic manner.

There is each year a large amount of work which must be done in clearing up and removing rubbish, leaves, etc.; this is not in the nature of permanent improvement, but must of necessity take a large part of the annual appropriation. Burial Hill occupies a peculiar place in the Town's burying grounds, and visited, as it is, each year, by thousands of people from all parts of the country, should present a better appearance, simply as a matter of pride on the part of the

town. Part of the daily work here during the summer months consists in removing the refuse scattered from one end of the Hill to the other by visitors. This seems difficult to regulate, since the practice has been permitted visitors to eat lunches within its borders, and no rules govern their action.

There are many old and historic gravestones which need protection, and some method other than the unsightly iron covering now used might be adopted, since there is a process by which the original shape of the stones and the lettering can be restored, and at the same time preserve the stones from the action of the weather.

The care of Burial Hill has been as thorough, the past year, as the small amount available from the appropriation, would allow.

There is need of fixed rules and regulations to govern our cemeteries, thereby avoiding conflict of authority, which now often arises.

I would also recommend that appropriations be made for each cemetery or burying ground separately, and each appropriation be kept for expenditure for that cemetery alone for which it is appropriated; this action would make the work of planning and carrying on the work much more satisfactory to the Superintendent, and would be more economical for the town.

In conclusion it seems proper to say that we ought, as a town, to feel genuine pride in having these "homes of the dead" cared for and kept in good repair, each year adding a little to the permanent advancement of their general condition, and without any large expenditure, but by concerted action, and individual interest, the people of Plymouth might have their cemeteries compare favorably with those of other and larger towns.

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. STRANGER, *Superintendent,*
Of Oak Grove and Vine Hill Cemeteries and Burial Hill.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen—I have the honor to submit the following report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1900:

Total number of arrests, 268

Males, 256	Females, 12
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Residents, 176	Non-residents, 92
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Adults, 255	Minors, 13
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Number of fines imposed,	123
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Sent to jail,	36
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Sent to State farm,	7
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Sent to Sherborn,	5
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Cases appealed,	25
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Cases discharged,	28
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Placed on file,	2
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Placed on probation,	70
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Amount fines imposed,	\$2,808 00
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Amount fines paid,	1,279 30
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Cases now in Superior Court,	14
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Classified as follows:

Assault,	24
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Drunk,	138
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By-laws,	6
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Liquor laws,	36
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Insane,	1
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Larceny,	13
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Non-support,	4
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Adultery,	2
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Pedler laws,	12
Setting fires,	2
Breaking and entering,	7
Disturbing peace,	6
Fornication,	1
Lewd and wanton,	1
Bastardy,	1
False balance.	1
Stubborn child,	2
Vagrant,	3
Concealing stolen goods.	1
Capias,	1
Disorderly house,	1
Trespass,	2
Contempt of court,	1
Perjury,	1

The force consists of four regular men, as follows: Joseph T. Collingwood, Michael Casey, Samuel Ferguson, Augustine J. Hogan.

At the present times the officers are on duty twelve hours per day, and the entire town is left in the charge of one man after twelve o'clock at night. With the addition of one officer the hours of labor could be reduced to a fair day's work, or ten hours, and the town would be more properly guarded at the time when the most serious offences are likely to be committed.

The accommodations at the lockup are not in keeping with the progressive spirit of the town, it having been constructed many years ago, when the population was much less than it is at present. It consists of three dark cells, with little or no ventilation, and without a single sanitary convenience. Men and women have to be treated alike under the present condition, and although their stay is short there has often been four, five and even six locked in these small quarters from Saturday until Monday. This should

not be, as a man under arrest should be entitled to humane accommodations, and I strongly urge that you take measures to secure an appropriation to effect a radical change in this department.

The fact of the Third District Court being in Plymouth makes it more necessary that our lockup should at least be up to the average.

I desire to return my thanks for the courteous manner in which I have been treated during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH T. COLLINGWOOD,

Chief of Police.

PLYMOUTH, MASS., Jan. 1, 1901.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Selectmen of Plymouth:

Gentlemen—The Board of Fire Engineers respectfully present their annual report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1900.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus consists of three steam fire engines, two chemical engines, two hook and ladder trucks, and four hose carts. All in good order.

HOSE.

We have about 6,000 feet of two and a half inch cotton rubber-lined hose in the department. Some of it is in poor condition; 500 feet of new hose has been purchased the past year.

BUILDINGS.

The buildings used by the department are in fair condition.

HYDRANTS.

Two new post hydrants have been located and connected the past year, making a total on *old* system of 56 post and 41 flush, 97 in all—62 on high service and 35 on low service. Private hydrants, 35. Eleven new post hydrants have been set on Main and Market streets, on the new 12 inch high service main; 13 on Standish ave., 5 on Sandwich street, between Jabez Corner and Bramhall's store, all of which are now ready for service, making a total of 161 hydrants available.

FIRES AND ALARMS, 1900.

May 1—Alarm from Box 62; no damage.

May 20—Alarm from Box 37, Robbin's lumber yard, burning of old hulk on shore.

May 20—Alarm from Box 35; same cause.

May 28—Alarm from Box 41, chimney fire in old Cox house on Sandwich street; no damage.

June 2—Alarm from Box 37, Mill Village, fire on roof; damage \$5.00.

June 11—Alarm from Box 54, fire in Central House, Main street; damage \$1,000.00.

June 20—Alarm from Box 45, fire in building off Sandwich street, owned by Elmer Harlow; damage \$450.00, insured \$300.00.

Sept. 25—Alarm from Box 25, house on Billington street; no damage.

Oct. 6—Alarm from Box 43, at 8.50 p. m., followed at 8.55 by second alarm, for fire in building on Sandwich street, owned by Seth W. Paty, occupied by Dorr's bakery and Badger's grocery store; damage, \$500; house of Winslow Allen, damaged about \$350, insured for \$500.

Nov. 11—Alarm from Box 25, fire in barn owned by Rogan Bros., on Newfields street; loss \$1,800, insured \$1,000.

Nov. 24—Alarm from Box 42, for fire in barn on Mayflower street, owned by Samuel Nelson; damage about \$500, insured for \$800.

Nov. 26—Alarm from Box 41, for fire in stable off Sandwich street, owned and occupied by Sproul & Holmes; damage, about \$300.

Dec. 2—Alarm from Box 23, for fire in house on Mill Lane, owned by Josiah Baxter; damage about \$50, insured.

The fire alarm system has worked well the past year, and the expense for repairs and maintenance has been small.

FINANCIAL.

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By appropriation, 1900,	\$5,200 00
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To payments, 1900,	4,931 36
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Undrawn balance,	\$268 64
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APPROPRIATION.

We estimate that an appropriation of \$5,000 will meet the expenses of the department the coming year, and is recommended. We also recommend an appropriation of \$1,000 for the purchase of new hose.

H. P. BAILEY,

Chief.

D. M. BOSWORTH,

Clerk.

ENGINEERS.

H. P. Bailey.

George E. Saunders.

Albert E. Davis.

D. M. Bosworth.

F. H. Lanman.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

JOHN W. CHURCHILL—Term expires, 1903.

EVERETT F. SHERMAN—Term expires, March, 1903.

GEORGE W. BRADFORD—Term expires, March, 1902.

HORACE P. BAILEY—Term expires, March, 1902.

JOHN H. DAMON—Term expires, March, 1901.

Superintendent—Richard W. Bagnell.

Assistant Superintendent—Charles H. Sherman.

Water Registrar—N. Reeves Jackson.

Engineer at Pumping Station—W. A. H. Jones.

All applications for water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners.

Superintendent's office in rear of Engine House, Main street.

Telephone call—54-3.

Rates payable at the Town Treasurer's office, **semi-annually**, in advance, May 1 and November 1.

Meeting of the Commissioners to examine bills and claims against the Department, the **FIRST WEDNESDAY EVENING** of each month.

Bills against the Department must be rendered on or before the first Wednesday of each month, or they will lie over until the following month.

Approved bills paid by the Town Treasurer at the Town office.

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

The Water Commissioners herewith submit their forty-sixth Annual Report.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1900,	\$6,620 59
Water rates,	21,814 67
Labor and material,	601 99
Miscellaneous,	151 87
Premium on loans,	621 00
Notes issued June 1900,	30,000 00
Overdrawn balance,	7,847 94
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	\$67,658 06

EXPENDITURES.

Extensions by vote of Water Commissioners,	\$4,123 13
Maintenance,	11,090 57
Bonds and interest,	10,277 15
Construction of plant,	5,221 58
Construction of new work,	36,945 63.
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	\$67,658 06

MAINTENANCE.

Salaries,	\$1,874 94
Rubber boots,	19 50
Horse hire,	498 59
Labor,	2,257 96
Coal, gas and oil,	48 00

Repairs to shop,	278 79
Reservoirs, lumber and tools,	187 72
Repairing picks, carting, and service covers,	273 10
Insurance,	197 20
Freight,	140 23
Electric fan and lights,	57 77
Plumbing, lead and packing,	192 20
Telephone,	46 00
Traveling expenses,	40 00
Surveying and hose,	30 40
Screens at pond,	7 14
Stationery, stamps, printing, and express,	133 38
Corporation and stops,	130 30
Lanterns and office chair,	15 00
Repairing wagons, and care of horse,	7 44
Cement,	148 67
Gates,	165 61
Paid for 4 inch pipe,	1,777 80
Waste and mittens,	22 06
Repairs,	313 32
Incidentals,	12 24
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	\$8,875 27

PUMP.

Engineer's salary,	\$825 00
Coal,	1,029 28
Repairs on boiler room, tools and fittings,	67 96
Telephone.	36 00
Coal for house,	22 50
Oil, packing and waste,	64 66
Repairs on pump station,	90 50
Carting ashes,	27 50
Pumping nights,	16 40
Wood for pump,	35 50
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	\$2,215 30

BONDS AND INTEREST.

Bond paid on issue of October 2, 1899,	\$1,500 00
Bond paid on issue of June 1, 1885,	2,800 00
Bond paid on issue of August 1, 1890,	1,300 00
Bond paid on issue of August 1, 1894,	800 00
Bond paid on issue of February 3, 1894,	240 00
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Bonds paid.	\$6,640 00
Interest paid on issue of October 2, 1899,	\$393 33
Interest paid on issue of June 1, 1885,	1,624 00
Interest paid on issue of August 1, 1890,	936 00
Interest paid on issue of August 1, 1894,	640 62
Interest paid on issue of February 3, 1894,	43 20
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	\$3,637 15
Bonds and interest paid,	6,640 00
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	\$10,277 15

The Commissioners have laid, under the vote of the Town, from the high-service reservoir to Sandwich street, via the Nook road, 5,400 ft. of 12 inch pipe; in Market, Main, and Court streets, 3,000 ft. of 12 inch pipe; in Standish ave., Oak, Spooner, and Court streets, 9,200 ft. 10 inch pipe; from Jabez Corner south on Sandwich street, to Bramhall's Corner, 6,400 ft. of 6 inch pipe; with the necessary gates, and hydrants, at a cost of \$36,945.63.

There remains to be laid: On the Nook road, 1200 ft. 12 inch pipe; on Court street, 1,200 ft. 10 inch pipe; from Jabez Corner to Spring Hill, 5,200 ft. 10 inch pipe, and 2,500 ft. 4 inch pipe, for connections with cross streets, at an estimated cost of \$20,000.00.

The Commissioners have exceeded the appropriation by a considerable amount, from the following reasons:

The price of material required having greatly advanced.

No provision was made by the Committee for connecting the 12 inch pipe on the Nook road with the reservoir.

The Commissioners found in laying the pipe on Standish ave., Oak, Spooner, and Court streets, that the distance was 3,100 feet more than the report of the Committee called for, causing an additional expense of \$5,000.00.

The Commissioners would call the attention of the town to the necessity of a new pump at the station in the near future, to insure the high service a constant supply, and for fire protection.

The present pump has been in constant use twenty years, and any serious accident would deprive the residents on high service of water.

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. SHERMAN,

H. P. BAILEY,

JOHN H. DAMON,

GEORGE W. BRADFORD,

JOHN W. CHURCHILL.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

PLYMOUTH (MASS.) WATER WORKS.

Published by request of the New England Water Works Association.

Population by census of 1900, 10,000.

Date of construction, 1855.

By whom owned: Town.

Source of supply: Great and Little South Ponds and Lout Pond.

Mode of supply: Gravity for low service, and pumping for high service.

PUMPING.

1. Builders of pumping machinery: Worthington.
2. Coal: (b) Bituminous; (d) Brand, various; (e) \$5 per gross ton.
3. Coal for year: 306,518 pounds. Wood for year, 13,500 pounds.
4. Total fuel, 320,018 pounds.
5. Total water pumped, 130,233,312 gallons.
6. Average static head, 65 feet.
7. Average dynamic head, 66 feet.
8. Number of gallons pumped per pound of coal, 424.87.
9. Duty of pump, 24,626,739.

COST OF PUMPING, FIGURED ON PUMPING
STATION EXPENSES, VIZ. : \$2,215.30.

10. Per million gallons against dynamic head into direct pipe, \$17.01.
11. Per million gallons raised one foot high (dynamic), \$0.25.

COST OF PUMPING, FIGURED ON TOTAL
MAINTENANCE, VIZ.: \$12,601.45.

12. Per million gallons raised against dynamic head into direct pipe, \$96.36.
13. Per million gallons raised one foot high (dynamic), \$1.46.

FINANCIAL.

MAINTENANCE.

RECEIPTS.

<i>A.</i> Water rates, domestic,	
<i>B.</i> Water rates, manufacturing.	
<i>C.</i> Total water receipts,	
<i>D.</i> Miscellaneous,	
<i>E.</i> Total receipts,	
<i>F.</i> No charge made for water used by the Town.	
<i>K.</i> Gross receipts,	

EXPENDITURES.

<i>AA.</i> Management and repairs,	\$11,090.57
<i>BB.</i> Interest on bonds,	3,637.15
<i>CC.</i> Total,	\$14,727.72
<i>DD.</i> Profit for the year,	\$7,840.81
Paid bonds,	\$6,640.00
Carried to Construction Acc.	1,200.81
<i>EE.</i> Total,	\$22,568.53

CONSTRUCTION.

Balance,	\$6,620.59
Bonds issued,	30,621.00
Profits of maintenance,	1,200.81
Overdrawn,	7,847.94
Cost of works to date,	\$46,290.34
Town appropriations,	\$313,189.09
From profits,	\$170,902.23
	132,286.86
	\$313,189.09
Construction of Plant,	\$5,221.58
Extension of Mains, vote of the Town,	36,945.63
Extension of Mains, by Commissioner,	3,413.90
Extension of services,	342.80
Boiler room,	95.46
Reservoirs,	95.41
Gates,	168.42
New Screens,	7.14
	\$46,290.34
\$6,640.00 paid yearly on principal.	
Bonded debt, \$105,960.00 at four per cent.	

DISTRIBUTION.

1. Kind of pipe used: Wrought iron, cement-lined;
wrought iron on Beach.
2. Sizes, from 2 inch to 20 inch.
3. Extended 6,932 feet.
4. Discontinued, 300 feet.
5. Total now in use. 37 miles and 1,743 feet.
6. Cost to repair per mile, \$10.87.
7. Number of leaks per mile, 2.
8. Small distribution pipes, less than four inches: Total
length, 9 miles.
9. Hydrants added, 2.
10. Number now in use, 97 public, and 35 private.
11. Stop gates added, 15.
12. Number now in use, 349.
13. Small stop gates, less than four inches, total, 135.
14. Number of blow-offs, 22.

SERVICES.

16. Kind of pipe: Lead and cement-lined.
17. From one-half inch to one inch.
18. Extended, 569 feet.
20. Total now in use. 5 miles and 5,206 feet.
21. Service taps added, 61.
22. Number now in use, 1,894.
23. Average length of service, 16 feet.
24. Average cost of service, \$5.62.
27. Motors and elevators added, none.
28. Number now in use, 1 motor.

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF WATER RATES.

Gentlemen—I hereby submit the annual report of the Collector's department of the Water Works for the year 1900:

The Collector is charged as follows:

Arrears,	\$933 09
Water rates,	22,446 31
Labor and material,	734 35
Miscellaneous,	280 22
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	\$24,393 97

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Abatements,	\$555 53
Uncollected labor and material,	132 36
Uncollected rates,	1,289 42
Total collections,	22,416 66
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	\$24,393 97

Water is supplied to 1,895 families; 886 water closets; 367 bath tubs; 105 stores, offices and shops; 169 stables; 467 horses; 156 cows; 10 urinals; 3 cemeteries; 10 engines; 10 fish and meat markets; 1 water motor; 3 laundries; 4 banks; 7 churches; 10 manufactories; 2 photograph saloons; 4 saloons; 4 bakeries; 5 hotels and boarding houses; 3 hot-houses; 3 printing offices; 5 public halls; 2 banquet rooms; 2 billiard rooms; 2 cigar manufactories; 241 hose; gas works; N. Y., N. H. & H. railroad engines; 2 electric plants; woolen mills and county buildings; public town buildings; fire purposes, and watering streets.

Yours respectfully,

N. REEVES JOHNSON,
Collector of Water Rates.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Board of Water Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN: I respectfully submit my twenty-seventh annual report, and the forty-sixth report of the Plymouth Water Works for the year ending December 31, 1900.

PIPES LAID DURING THE YEAR 1900, AND COST OF THE SAME.

WHERE LAID.	NO OF FEET.	SIZE.	COST.
Doten's Lane,	28	2 inch.	\$8 00
Warren Avenue,	2,705	4 "	1,358 20
Summer Street,	838	4 "	453 88
Oberry Street,	645	4 "	305 77
Sandwich Street,	722	2 "	212 75
Forest Ave.,	865	4 "	449 80
Rear of Alden,	124	2 "	59 38
Bay View Ave.,	1,005	4 "	566 12
	6,932		\$3.413 90

STREET MAINS.

The street mains, as far as can be ascertained, are in good condition.

LEAKS.

There have been fifty-eight leaks in the main and distribution pipes. There have been fourteen in ten-inch pipes; three in eight-inch pipes; five in six-inch pipes; nineteen in

four-inch pipes; four in three-inch pipes; thirteen in two-inch pipes, and all repaired at a cost of \$402.35.

SERVICE PIPES.

The street mains have been tapped for new supplies in sixty-one places, at a cost of \$324.80. Add those in use as per last report, making 1,896. Deduct two services that have been discontinued, leaving a total of 1,894 services in use. The street length of service pipes is 31,606½ feet. There have been fourteen leaks in service pipes this year, the cost of repairs being \$51.59.

GATES.

Fifteen new gates have been set this year. One four-inch set on extension of Warren avenue; one four-inch on extension of Summer street; one four-inch on extension of Oberry street; one two-inch on extension of Sandwich street to Nathaniel Ellis'; one four-inch on Forest avenue, branch junction of Spooner between Spooner and Court streets; one four-inch north of Forest avenue branch on Spooner street; one four-inch for Forest avenue at junction of Court street; two four-inch on Water street, one each side of connection to Electric power house service; the two gates for the power house they paid for. The cost of the seven above gates are included in the extensions to which they belong. One four-inch on Court street, south of Forest avenue branch, at a cost of \$17.12. One two-inch gate on State street, branch junction of Court street, at a cost of \$9.50; one four-inch on Court street, south of State street branch, at a cost of \$13.65; one four-inch on Court street, north of State street branch, at a cost of \$13.65; one four-inch for Chandler's lane at a cost of \$13.60; one four-inch for Oberry street, junction of Sandwich road, at a cost of \$13.65; one four-inch for Bay View avenue, junction of Sandwich street; the cost of this gate is in the extension. All gates have been inspected and put in good condition.

RESERVOIRS.

Both high and low service reservoirs are in good condition. The weeds have been cut down and removed, both inside and outside of the enclosure, and the fences have been put in order. The high service reservoir has been drawn off and cleaned out, all at a cost of \$95.21.

BUTMENTS AT THE PONDS.

The three butments at the ponds have been inspected and found to be in good condition; there has been no expense on them this year. There has been a new screen put in at the inlet of pipe at a cost \$7.14.

PUMP STATION.

The roof of Pumping Station has been shingled at a cost of \$86.50. The boiler room has been whitewashed; boilers have been painted; two closets have been built for the tools, and ashes carted off, all at a cost of \$95.46.

MACHINERY.

There has been machinery for making pipe put in the shop as follows: One punching machine, one former for 10, 12, and 14 inch pipe; one former for 4, 6, and 8 inch pipe; two riveting stakes; one lining-machine with 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12 inch cones; two cement mixing machines; one filling machine, and one punching machine, and one former for making sleeves; one 5 H. P. and one 1 H. P. electric motor, together with tools necessary for making pipe, all at a cost of

\$4,955.18

Machinery put in in year 1899,

195 36

Total cost of machinery and tools, to date,

\$5,150 54

NEW TAKERS.

There have been added to the water-takers this year, 124 tenements; 166 water-closets; 74 bath tubs; 8 stables; 1 casino; 1 power station with 75 H. P. engine; 1 woolen mill; 3 stores; 1 fountain; 3 urinals, and 1 bakery.

BOXES.

There have been 63 service boxes and 3 gate boxes replaced by new ones, at a cost of \$86.87.

DRINKING FOUNTAINS AND STAND PIPES.

There are 5 stand pipes for sprinkling streets, and 7 drinking fountains, all of which are in good condition. No additions this year.

WORK SHOP.

The platform for filling pipe has been extended 50 feet, at a cost of \$266.40. Some repairs have been made in the office at a cost of \$39.59.

LABOR.

On extensions,	\$1,001 20	
Trenching for service pipes,	99 33	
All other labor,	2,257 96	
Whole amount expended,	<hr/>	\$3,358 49
Amount received for trenching,	\$243 93	
Amount received for shutting off services,	92 50	
	<hr/>	\$336 43
Total cost of labor during the year		
less refunded,		\$3,022 06

SCHEDULE.

Showing the number of feet of each size pipe and number and size of gates.

SIZE IN INCHES.	LENGTH OF PIPE IN FT.	No. of Gates.	No. of Check Valves.	No. Air Cocks.	No. of 10-inch Blow-offs.	No. of 6-inch Blow-offs.	No. of 4-inch Blow-offs.	No. of 2-inch Blow-offs.	No. Hydrants.
20	65								
16	7,515	2		2	1	1			
14	8,252	6	1	8			1		2
12	141	3							
10	19,749	20	2	5	1	1			6
8	4,732	11					2		10
6	13,167	26		2					15
4	84,956½	145		3			1	7	60
3	9,562	19					1	1	2
2	47,006½	109		3				5	2
1	1,177	6							
¾	780	1							
Total,	197,103	348	3	23	2	2	5	13	97

MILES OF PIPE.

Thirty-seven miles and 1,743 feet of main and distribution pipes, the street length of service pipes being 31,606½ feet, with the main and distribution pipes; makes a total of 228,709 feet of pipe, or 43 miles and 1,669 feet.

HYDRANTS.

Hydrants on high service, 61; hydrants on low service, 36; post hydrants, 56; flush hydrants, 41; private hydrants, 35; number of hydrants available, 132.

STOCK AND TOOLS ON HAND DEC. 31, 1900.

Inventory at shop,	\$4,948 43
Office,	257 50
Pumping Station, including	
coal,	1,265 00
Stable,	47 00
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	\$6,517 93

Yours respectfully,

R. W. BAGNELL,

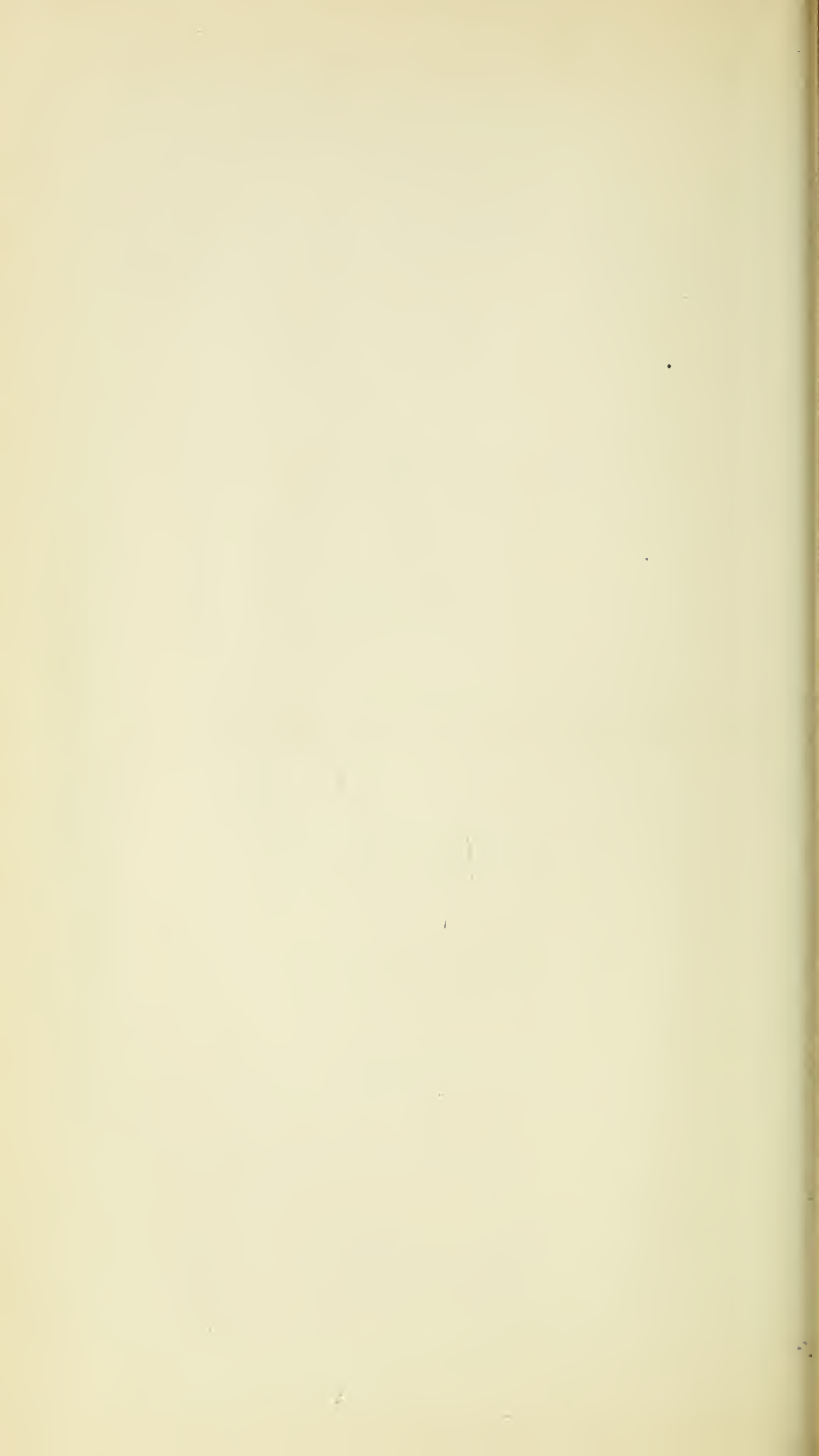
Superintendent.

PUMPING STATION RECORD FOR THE YEAR 1900.

MONTHS.	Hours Run.	Total lbs. Fuel Used.	No. Revolutions.	No. of Gals. Pumped.	Av. Head Dynam.	No. Gals. Pumped with 1 lb. of Fuel.	Average Duty.	Rainfall. Inches.	Average Temperature		Daily Average Water Pumped. Gallons.	Daily Average Fuel Used in Pounds.
									Max.	Min.		
January,	131	22,938	171,300	8,140,176	66	354.87	19,533,464	4.86	40.	20.93	262,586.32	739.93
February,	112	20,970	165,600	7,869,312	66	375.26	20,655,811	5.35	36.	20.82	281,261.14	748.92
March,	113	19,660	170,300	8,092,656	66	411.63	22,657,761	3.62	42.9	23.96	261,053.41	634.19
April,	120	19,560	168,800	8,021,376	66	410.09	22,572,983	1.95	53.9	36.03	267,379.2	632.
May,	144	22,170	196,200	9,323,424	66	420.54	23,148,203	5.11	63.93	43.67	300,078.19	715.16
June,	202	28,950	266,600	12,668,832	66	437.61	24,087,804	2.29	76.7	56.1	422,294.4	965.
July,	242	34,460	330,600	15,710,112	80	455.9	30,417,648	1.37	85.67	64.25	506,777.8	1111.61
August,	199	29,960	274,300	13,034,736	80	435.06	29,047,203	3.28	79.48	61.45	420,475.35	966.35
September,	191	28,900	267,300	12,702,096	80	439.51	29,324,107	3.10	72.76	54.5	423,403.2	963.33
October,	168	25,610	229,700	10,915,344	66	426.21	23,460,303	5.40	64.03	51.12	352,107.87	826.12
November,	225	25,960	246,200	11,699,424	66	450.67	24,806,679	5.36	52.8	37.7	389,980.66	865.5
December,	194	27,380	253,700	12,055,824	66	440.31	24,236,423	3.15	39.48	22.74	388,897.54	883.2
Totals,	2,041	306,518	2,740,600	130,233,312				44.84				

Average head for year, 69.5 foot Dynamic. Average duty for year, 24,626,739. Average number of gallons pumped with one pound of coal, 424.57. The above figures are a report of the year 1900 and are correct to the best of my knowledge.

W. A. H. JONES, Engineer In Charge.



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE YEAR

1900

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

	Term Expires.
FRANK H. PERKINS,	1901
INCREASE ROBINSON,	1901
ARTHUR E. LEWIS,	1902
ELIZABETH THURBER,	1902
J. HOLBROOK SHAW,	1903
WM. S. KYLE,	1903

Chairman, WM. S. KYLE.

Secretary, ELIZABETH THURBER.

The committee meet regularly at the Town House on the first and third Mondays of each month at 7.30 p. m.

Superintendent of Schools, FRANCIS J. HEAVENS.

Office hours, 8.30 to 9 a. m., and 1.15 to 2.00 p. m.

Truant officer, J. W. HUNTING.

CALENDAR FOR 1901.

Winter term began January 2nd.

Summer term begins April 8th.

Fall term begins September 9th.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The School Committee respectfully submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1900, to which is appended the reports of the Superintendent of Schools and of the Truant Officer.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The following amounts have been available for school purposes the past year :

Unexpended balance of last year,	\$ 83 35
Appropriation,	35,000 00
Special appropriation, Mount Pleasant school-house,	600 00
Proceeds, sale lots and buildings,	105 00
Interest, Murdock fund,	18 25
Books sold,	12 42
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	\$35,819 02

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries,	\$24,613 95
Fuel and light,	2,915 08
Books and supplies,	3,021 81
Repairs,	2,248 56
Janitors,	1,745 13
Truant Officer,	100 00
Transportation of pupils,	655 80
Freight and cartage,	135 21
Printing,	55 20
Incidentals,	205 34
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	\$35,696 08
Unexpended balance,	<hr/>
	\$122 94

The appropriation for the general maintenance of our schools has remained stationary for several years, although the gradual increase in the number of pupils represents a gain of nearly eighteen per cent. in the past five years. In order to meet the large additional expense entailed by this increase, and keep within the appropriations it has been necessary for your committees to economize to a degree that has made an adjustment of means to ends no easy task. This condition is regrettable for several reasons, but chiefly because with the sum available it has not been possible in all cases to pay salaries adequate to the service, and by so doing avoid the occasional loss of exceptionally capable teachers which is always a serious detriment to the welfare of the schools. We feel constrained, however, not to ask at this time, for the ordinary expenses of the schools, any increase in the amount which for several years has been allowed this department, in view of the special appropriation imperative-ly needed for new buildings and other purposes referred to, and asked for elsewhere in this report.

A proposition from the Plymouth Lend-a-Hand Society to equip a twenty-five bench school room for Manual Training, provided the Town would maintain the school as a permanent part of its educational system, was accepted by the committee, and the basement of the Cornish school building was fitted for the purpose. The society has formally transferred to the Town the full equipment of tools, benches, etc., now in use, with the proviso that if instruction be discontinued by the Town for a period of more than twelve consecutive months during the next five years, the outfit furnished shall revert to the society. The school has now been several weeks in active operation, under a competent teacher, four half days each week being devoted to the work, and its educational value and importance have already been demonstrated, for not only is skill acquired in the use of tools, and in the mechanical drawing which is a part of

the system, but the training gives constant and impressive proof to the boys that thought, thoroughness, perseverance and care are essential to the best work, and to the success that is sure to follow it. The Committee desire to express a grateful appreciation of the generous action of the Lend-a-Hand Society in thus opening the way to this valuable addition to the work of our schools, and they confidently expect that results will fully justify its comparatively small expense. This has been the case in many other towns where Manual Training has long been a part of the school work, and it is not likely to be otherwise here.

A long established rule of this department requires that pupils entering the First-grade schools must do so at the beginning of the fall term. Many unaware of this rule, and others knowing its existence but believing it elastic, have found fault with the Committee when admission out of term has been denied their children. It must, however, be obvious that a child entering this grade long after the beginning of the term, would require for some time a degree of direct personal attention from the teacher, such as could not be given without retarding the progress of the school as a whole. Your committee are therefore strongly of the opinion that the established policy in such cases is wise and just, and should be continued.

The heating and ventilating system of the High School building which had become defective, and in parts much out of repair, was thoroughly examined by an expert whose recommendations have recently been carried out by the Committee. Not only has a marked improvement resulted therefrom, but it is expected that the changes made will secure such an economy in fuel that the cost of the improvements will be covered by the savings of a single year.

Fire insurance upon this building, to the amount of twenty thousand dollars, expires during the present year, and its renewal for three years (the term of the policies now

in force) will entail an expense of about two hundred and seventy-five dollars. It appears to be the policy of the Town not to insure its property (excepting the High School building as above) and unless instructed to the contrary the Committee must assume that the Town prefers to make no change in this direction.

At the Mount Pleasant school house the primitive outdoor sanitary arrangements, which had long been offensive, were removed, and modern closets and urinals placed in the basement and connected with the sewer. This improvement was provided for by a special appropriation of six hundred dollars made last year by the Town, and the amount expended therefor is included in the item of "Repairs" in the financial statement herewith. The cementing of the basement floor, and other much needed work done at this school house, also added materially to the item of "Repairs."

The building used by the Primary school at Manomet has for some time been inadequate for the number of pupils attending it. Thirty-two children are now being housed there five hours every school day in the vitiated air of a small, unventilated room. Such a condition is intolerable, and should be remedied by the enlargement of the building as soon as possible. It is estimated that four hundred dollars will be needed for that purpose.

The school house at Vallerville was totally destroyed in the great fire of last September. Through the kindness of Mr. Benjamin W. Hatch, the Committee were given free use, for temporary quarters, of a portion of the only available building in that vicinity which escaped the flames. This was fitted up and made as acceptable as possible for school purposes until such time as a permanent building shall be authorized by the Town and constructed. Your Committee estimate that it will require about fifteen hundred dollars to build and furnish this school house.

Plymouth has at the present time twenty-five school build-

ings, a greater number than any other town in the State of approximately the same population. Most of them are single-room buildings of a primitive type necessarily lacking the conditions essential to the physical well-being of teachers and pupils, while many of them are so utterly devoid of ventilation that work is carried on in an atmosphere vitiated to a degree that not only renders the best work impossible, but involves the health of the teachers and pupils in serious peril. This condition is intensified in several crowded school rooms, the atmosphere of which, by recent official tests, showed a proportion of carbon dioxide more than three times the percentage regarded by authorities as perilous to health. It would be positively criminal to continue such conditions longer, and if not voluntarily remedied, the stringent laws now in force can be invoked to compel the Committee to act in the matter immediately.

Fortunately in some of the buildings this dangerous condition can be greatly lessened, if not wholly removed, by simple means and without large expense, and something is being done in that direction at this writing. In some other instances, however, in view of existing conditions, it would be wise to dispose of the land and the inadequate and unfit buildings now in use, and to concentrate the schools elsewhere in modern buildings. In this way ample room for present and prospective needs and conditions essential to the best physical and educational results can best be secured. This is convincingly the case at the North part of the town where the number of children has so increased that the schools are crowded to suffocation, notwithstanding the transfer (at considerable expense) of as many children from that section as room could be found for at the centre of the Town. This condition was predicted in the School Committee's report of last year, and the present Committee, coinciding with a suggestion then made, now urge the construction of a four-room school house on the lot where building No. 3

(Miss O'Brien's school) now stands, utilizing that building to the best advantage in the scheme of construction.

At the Summer street section of the town the conditions are much the same as at the North end. The difference is one of degree only. The schools are very greatly overcrowded, and relief cannot be secured by transfers, for there is no surplus room in other schools near by. The Spring street building, and one of the two at Oak street, are very old and now inadequate for the needs of that district. The absence of proper ventilation, the faulty method of heating, and the unsanitary conditions at all three of these buildings cannot be continued without violation of law and a criminal disregard of the health of teachers and pupils. This has been determined by recent official inspection. Something must therefore be done without undue delay to meet the school needs of this section for more room and for conditions conducive to the health of the children. Your Committee after due consideration are convinced that in the interest of the schools, and in the interest of the taxpayer as well, it is far wiser to construct a new building in this section to accommodate the three schools now there than to enlarge and otherwise improve the old buildings, the condition of which would require a large outlay to make them adequate and suitable. A new building would provide amply for present and future needs; it would secure to the pupils the attractive, comfortable and healthful surroundings every school should have; the cost of heating and of care would be much less than at present, and the sale of such property as it may be deemed best to abandon, would lessen the sum required for a new building.

Your Committee are deeply solicitous for the interests of the schools and the well-being of the children, but they are considerate of the tax-payers' interests as well, and will not add to their burdens unduly; a thoughtful and judicious consideration however impels the Committee to ask not only

for the thirty-five thousand dollars allowed for some years for the running expenses of the schools, but also for a special appropriation of ten thousand dollars for new buildings and extraordinary repairs absolutely needed at this time.

The Committee commend to the thoughtful consideration of the tax-payers and others interested in the welfare of our schools, the admirable report of the Superintendent which follows. The criticisms, suggestions and advice of this conscientious and capable officer are based upon an intelligent and comprehensive knowledge of the work and needs of our schools, and have the cordial indorsement of the Committee.

WILLIAM S. KYLE,
ELIZABETH THURBER,
J. HOLBROOK SHAW,
ARTHUR E. LEWIS,
INCREASE ROBINSON,
FRANK H. PERKINS.

School Committee.

PLYMOUTH, February 1, 1901.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

To the School Committee of Plymouth:

The report of the Superintendent of Schools for the year 1900 is herewith respectfully submitted.

It has been the custom in this town for some time to regard the school year, for purposes of statistics, as covering the same period as the financial year. In accordance with the request of the State Board of Education, recently made, the statistics of attendance are now made to cover the natural school year,—from September to July. Thus the financial and attendance periods used in this report are not identical; but since each covers a full year, the one period only a little in advance of the other, the returns they furnish are reliable. The statistics of attendance given in this report, therefore, cover the fall term of 1899, included in last year's report, and omit the record of the fall term of the present year.

The annual school census taken, as required by law, during the month of September, gave the following returns:

Number of boys between the ages of five and fifteen,	774
Number of girls between the ages of five and fifteen,	708

1482

Number of boys between the ages of seven and fourteen,	530
Number of girls between the ages of seven and fourteen,	503

1033

Number of school buildings in use,	25
Number of school rooms in use, including High school,	45
Number of teachers regularly employed,	44

High school,	7	
Grammar schools,	12	
Primary schools,	21	
Ungraded schools,	4	
	—	
	44	
Special teachers, one each in music, drawing, and Sloyd,	3	
	—	47
Whole number of pupils enrolled for the year,		1,627
Number under 7 years of age,	325	
Number between 7 and 14 years,	1,096	
Number between 14 and 15 years,	78	
Number over 15 years,	128	
	—	1,627
Average membership of all schools,		1,460
Average daily attendance,		1,346
Per cent. of attendance,		92.2
Number days' absence of pupils,		26,013
Number of cases of tardiness,		5,593
Number of cases of dismissal before close of school session,		1,443
Number of cases of truancy reported by teachers,		49
Number of days of teachers' absence from school,		81
Number of visits made by Superintendent,		830
Present (Jan. 15, 1901) membership of the schools,		1,467

ATTENDANCE.

The whole number enrolled in the schools during the past school year was smaller than for the year before, while the average membership of the schools was a little larger. The percentage of attendance has fallen appreciably from the record of last year. This is largely due, no doubt, to the recent legal requirement that an absentee from school shall continue to be counted as a member of the school until it is known that he has withdrawn without intention of re-

turning; or, in the absence of such knowledge, until ten consecutive days of absence have been recorded against him. Compliance with this requirement explains the diminished percentage of attendance, and shows no relaxation on the part of teachers to secure regular and punctual attendance of pupils. Indeed, some schools, in spite of this more exacting requirement, have made a better record this year than in the preceding one. This is particularly true of the Burton school, which has raised its record from 90 per cent. in 1899 to 94 in 1900.

If we compare the regularity of attendance of the outside schools with that of the schools in the Center, the figures give us the following:

Average membership of outside schools,	187	
Average daily attendance,	166	
Per cent. of attendance,		88.4
Average membership of village schools,	1,277	
Average daily attendance,	1,180	
Per cent. of attendance,		92.4

The low ratio of attendance in some of the outlying schools is in part accounted for by the long distances many of the pupils have to travel, over roads not used often enough to keep them passable at all times. This does not explain, however, the record of 95 per cent. in one outside school and 81 per cent. in another. There is little doubt that more care and interest on the part of some teachers and parents, as well as of pupils, in this matter, would result in a better record of attendance.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

1. Assessed valuation of real and personal property in Plymouth, May, 1, 1900, \$7,800,815 00
2. Percentage of valuation expended for current expenses of schools in 1900, .00428
3. Expense per pupil on average membership, 22.91

4. Expense per pupil on same for schools of State, 1899-1900,	26.06
5. Expense per pupil on average membership on total expenditure for schools in 1900,	29.55
6. State average on same basis,	33.92
7. Average monthly wages of men teachers in Plymouth in 1900,	\$110 00
8. Average monthly paid men teachers of the State,	136 54
9. Average monthly wages of women teachers in Plymouth, in 1900,	42 88
10. Same paid women teachers in the State, 1899-1900,	52 50

In the financial statement the items are based upon the average membership of the schools. Items 2 and 3 are based upon the whole amount (\$35,696.08) which the committee have spent, less the cost of repairs (\$2,248.52). The items which make up this amount are payments for salaries, transportation, fuel and care of schoolhouses, textbooks and supplies, and incidentals. The sum thus expended (\$33,447.52) is by recent act of the Legislature (1900) to be regarded as the current expense of the schools, and is the sum to be certified to the State authorities as having been raised by taxation and expended "for the support of the public schools." This sum shows an average expense of \$22.91 for each pupil in the average membership of the schools. If the estimates were made upon the same basis as last year, the average expense for each pupil would be \$19.13,—a slightly smaller amount than was spent last year for the same purpose.

Most of the statistics given above are called for each year by the state authorities for incorporation in their annual report. They are here given a little more in detail than those who wish for such information may know definitely how

much of the money appropriated for the use of the school department is spent, and for what purposes.

SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

The increasing number of pupils in the North part of the town is rendering the crowded condition of school rooms in that section intolerable. Every school room is full. The primary rooms have an average attendance of about fifty-four children each, and some of these schools are in rooms not large enough to accommodate properly more than half that number.

The need for increased school accommodations is nearly as great in the centre of the town, as at the North. This is especially true of the primary schools. All of the first and second grade schools are, with one exception, crowded. It is becoming a serious question what to do with children who are eligible to attend school, and who apply for admission thereto.

The poor construction of the primary school buildings, which were built with little or no regard to sanitary requirements, renders their crowded condition a continual menace to the children and teachers who occupy them. This is particularly true of two school houses—the North primary, a two-room building, and a one-room building on Oak street, which have an attendance of more than 150 children. Both houses are old, dilapidated, and with no means of ventilation except doors and windows; their construction and present condition prevent their being made suitable for school purposes except at a large expense. It would probably be more expensive to put them in satisfactory condition than new, well-ventilated buildings would cost in the end. Immediate steps should be taken to provide more school room, and to make more habitable by some simple and effective means of ventilation, many of the schoolrooms now in use.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

The membership of the schools at present is 1,467. Of this number 792, about 54 per cent. of the whole number, are in the primary schools—grades one to four, inclusive—and distributed in twenty-one school rooms, giving an average number of thirty-eight pupils to a teacher. This average would be reasonably satisfactory if it represented the real number cared for by each primary teacher; but it does not. It is the average of fourteen and sixty-two in one case, and in several other cases the complementary number is over fifty. This is altogether too large a number for one teacher under the best conditions, and when the work of such schools has to be done in crowded rooms with little or no ventilation, satisfactory results cannot be expected.

The primary schools are in some respects the most important in the whole school system. They contain the large majority of pupils; they reach a class of children who never go beyond these grades; they give to most children of foreign birth the only glimpse they get of school life and its interests, and afford them the only practical knowledge they are likely to gain of an institution the most powerful and important in our civilization, an institution whose stability and continued influence for good will later be placed in their keeping as coming citizens. The primary schools are a potent factor in determining for all those who attend them the success or failure of their subsequent school life, and the attitude they will assume later toward American institutions.

For these reasons the primary schools should be made the best possible. No reasonable expense for teachers or equipment should be denied them. Sufficient compensation should be offered to enable the school department to demand and secure the best teachers. School accommodations should make it possible to assign a reasonable number of children—from thirty to thirty-five—to each teacher. The school rooms should be attractive,

healthful places, where children can be taught and trained by means of the best personal influence and by a refining environment. It is a false economy which denies the power to secure any or all of these prime requisites for successful school work. No one who is unfamiliar with the many needs of these schools, and the difficulties under which some of them work, can appreciate how well, under the circumstances, their work is done, or how much better it could be done under the best conditions. But the best results must wait upon larger opportunities furnished by an increased expenditure in support of the primary schools.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

The grammar schools include grades five to nine. These schools have at present a membership of 552 pupils, about thirty-one per cent. of the whole school membership. They occupy twelve school rooms, giving an average number of forty-six pupils to a teacher. In schools as widely scattered as ours, it is not possible to assign to each teacher the average number of pupils; the numbers vary in the different rooms from seventeen to fifty-six. The average number is too large for any one teacher to care for. The burden for the teacher perceptibly increases as the number grows beyond thirty-five or forty, and the work of the school is most likely to deteriorate.

Few changes in the course of study for these classes have been made during the past year. There are several subjects pressing their claims for admission. Physical culture and more nature work in all the grades; Latin or French, or both, in the ninth grade; Concrete Geometry, and more Algebra in place of Arithmetic are all waiting for places in the curriculum. All these admissions and changes would be useful, no doubt, if place and time could be found for them; but it would seem that the limits of time and ability of both children and teachers had been

reached. It is becoming the conviction of wise educational leaders that the grammar grade courses of study need pruning,—that too much of the new and old has accumulated in them; that much that is new needs restating, refining, and reforming to render it most valuable for educational purposes; and that much that is old needs further changing and curtailing to meet the requirements of the schools of today;—less of arithmetic, confining it to the essentials, beyond which it has little comparative educational value; less of geography, and more of the sciences of which it is a collection; less time given to history as it is often taught—dry facts and dates, wars and rumors of wars, and more of that study of men and women whose lives and characters are an ever inspiring source of interest and reverence, and whose fame and influence make them citizens of all time and of all lands. Not a larger number of subjects of study, then, but the elimination of burdensome and useless details is the need of the times, if we recognize, as we must, that the enrichment of courses of study may be accomplished at least as much by the quality of the work done, as by the number and variety of subjects attempted.

The work of the grammar schools during the year has, in the main, been good. The discipline is firm and reasonable, without undue severity. A commendable degree of zeal and earnestness has characterized the efforts of both teachers and pupils in carrying on their work. The closing exercises of these schools were held at the High School, June 30, 1900.

CLASS OF 1900.

Cornish School.

Daisy Maud Pratt.	Henry Gray Whitmore.
Helen Phillips Lynn.	Herbert McMaster Carleton.
Mabel F. Read.	Susie M. Barrows.
Alton F. Pratt.	Helen Loring Barnes.

Frank Roscoe Fletcher.	Arthur J. Bartlett.
Ruth R. Moore.	Edward R. Belcher.
Ethel Weston.	Bertha May Boudro.
Fred Carlton Brown.	Maurice John Ruprecht.
George Herbert Roberts.	Annie May O'Brien.
John H. Hathaway.	Sadie M. Hatton.
Hattie Mary Muti.	Bessie Rogers Holmes.
Bertha Elwood Milburn.	Andrew L. Lafayette.
Kate Bradford Stranger.	Charles Norman Smith.
Annie M. C. Anderson.	Leon Henry Beytes.
Herbert W. Rouse.	William H. Dunham.
John Bodell.	

Mount Pleasant School.

Ida May Sampson.	Richard Thomas Eldridge.
Etta Barnes Saunders.	Carlton Whiting Holmes.
Annie Sullivan.	Arthur Lewis King.
Grace Lincoln Whiting.	William Irving Pearson.
Caroline Wethers.	Gerald Shoughnessy.
Wm. Russell Pierce Chandler.	

Chiltonville School.

Elizabeth Rudge Woodason.	Louise Lindall Woodason.
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Manomet School.

Walter Howard Holmes.	Alice Francis Wood.
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Ellisville School.

Benjamin Ward Ellis.

、 HIGH SCHOOL.

The whole number of pupils enrolled at the High School during the school year, 1899-1900, was 138, and its average membership, 125. The current expense of the school for the past year was:

Teachers' salaries,	\$5,250 00
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Janitor,	350 00	
Fuel and light,	600 00	
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The expense for fuel and light is estimated, but doubtless the sum stated covers the actual cost. The High School has at present a membership of 123. The work of the school is carried on in four courses as follows:

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Classical Course,	8	2	10
Scientific Course,	21	16	37
Literary Course,	1	33	34
Commercial Course,	27	8	35
Doing special work,	1	6	7
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Each of the four courses named above requires ordinarily four years for its completion. The student in the Classical course sometimes needs to do an additional year's work to meet college requirements for admission. Indeed, this added year's work is coming to be more and more necessary as the requirements for entrance to schools of higher learning become more exacting. Many high schools have lengthened one or more of their courses from four to five years to meet the more rigid demands for entrance to the schools above them.

Those of us who have not for some years been in close touch with high school work, do not realize its growth in variety of subject matter, and in exactness of scholarship. In the high school of today "the courses of study are fairly comparable in scope and richness with those given in most colleges thirty years ago. They do not, indeed, include all the subjects then offered by the colleges, and they presuppose less maturity in the student; but in point of definiteness of aim, earnest effort, insistence upon high ideals, inspiration to noble endeavor, fertility of resources and skilful and stimulating instruction, the high schools do not suffer in com-

parison with the colleges of today. A boy who has creditably completed the course of study in a good high school is as well equipped for a business career, or for the serious study of a profession, as most graduates of colleges thirty years ago. These facts cannot be brought to the attention of the people too frequently, or enforced with too great emphasis. Public opinion is likely to be unduly influenced by critics who magnify slight defects, real or fancied, in the public school system, and overlook its abounding merits. They assert that the system is not in accord with the requirements of every day life, and demand large modifications in its principles and methods to make it, as they say, practical. The efforts which many high schools are now making to meet the popular demand for training in the Commercial branches are not to be deplored; but it is important to emphasize the fact that such training has little educational value if it does not rest on a secure foundation of general study. All courses designed primarily to meet vocational ends are likely to be narrow and superficial; and they are singularly dangerous, because their superficiality is so skilfully concealed."

The success with which our high school is meeting the increased and increasing demands for broader and richer scholarship will not suffer, in the main, in comparison with that gained by the better class of high schools of the state. The school is fairly well equipped, and is efficiently conducted; its purposes and aims are high, its spirit good, its courses well planned, and its work quietly, earnestly and successfully carried on.

The graduating exercises of the class of 1900, Plymouth High School, were held Thursday evening, June 21, 1900.

CLASS OF 1900.

Diplomas.

Herbert Spaulding Avery.	George LeBaron Gray.
Ednah Gertrude Barrett.	Cora Francis Harlow.
Arthur William Belcher.	Helen Frances Holmes.
Bessie Rogers Bradford.	Annie Evans Lewis.
Morton Collingwood.	George Merton Read.
Alfred Lawrence Coupe.	Florence Evelyn Savery.
William Leslie Doten.	Lucy Williams Shaw.
Arthur Sylvester Douglass.	Harold Jefferson Weston.
Edna Margaret Fletcher.	Nina Porter Wood.

Certificates.

Grace Howard Bradford.	Edith Lyle Fuller.
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Vertical Writing.

Vertical script is now in use in most of the cities and larger towns of the state. It has the indorsement of leading educational experts, because it is said to be based upon sound physiological and hygienic principles.

This system of writing has been in use in the schools here for about four years. When we introduced the Vertical system, nearly all the teachers wrote the slant hand; and they were expected to teach the vertical to children, nearly all of whom had been trained to write the slant hand. We have had no special instruction, aside from a few general talks on the subject, to help us. Less time has been given to drill in vertical writing than was spent upon the slant system. Under the circumstances the results gained have been fairly satisfactory. Children take to vertical writing naturally, and learn to write a legible hand quickly and easily. In the early years the writing is more drawing than writing, perhaps; but even this circumstance has its compensation in practically forbidding in the first years at school, that running, scrawling, illegible hand, so hard to overcome later.

With a reasonable amount of care and drill in vertical script, the large majority of a class will develop into writers of a neat, legible hand; the same amount of care and drill in the slant system would produce only a few whose writing could be classed as good.

Vertical script is not quickly written. Children take more time to write a page employing the vertical writing than when employing the slant. Tests made elsewhere seem to prove, however, that no more time is needed for the one system than for the other, provided both be written with equal legibility. Even if this were not true, we can afford to sacrifice a little time in order to secure neatness and legibility in penmanship.

SLOYD.

The following communication was made to the School Committee June 9, 1900:

To Mr. W. S. Kyle, Chairman of School Committee—

“The Lend-a-Hand Club having successfully conducted the Sloyd School for ten years, find that for various reasons it must be discontinued under the present management. The work seems of too much value to the boys to let it drop entirely without making an effort to provide in some way for its future.

If it is possible, and you deem it advisable to incorporate it in the public school system, the Club makes the following offer: To furnish new benches and tools, and everything else necessary to equip the school, if the town will provide a room and a teacher.

It is sincerely hoped you will think favorably of this plan.”

EMMA B. ATWOOD, *Secretary*.

PLYMOUTH, May 18, 1900.

The committee recognized the generous and disinterested motive shown in this offer. Of the value of the work thus

provided for if the offer could be accepted, there could be no question. It was seen to be entirely feasible to incorporate the sloyd in the regular course of school work if funds to sustain it when introduced could be provided. Notwithstanding the fact that our school course is crowded, and that every dollar, at the disposal of the Committee, was needed for other school purposes, the Committee decided to accept the offer and prepare for the work. This action was taken for three reasons: the educational value of this form of manual training; the comparatively small expense at which the work could be carried on aside from the salary of the teacher, and the great improbability that so generous an offer as the one at hand, would be duplicated in the near future.

The schedule for the Sloyd is at present as follows:

Boys from eighth grade, Monday p. m., 1.30-3.30.

Boys from seventh grade, Tuesday a. m., 9.00-10.30.

Boys from seventh grade Tuesday a. m., 10.30-12 m.

Boys from ninth grade, Wednesday a. m. 9.45-12 m.

Boys from eighth and ninth, Thursday a. m., 9.45-12 m.

This gives about two hours' work each week in this subject to 120 boys. The work of each school from which boys are absent at Sloyd goes on as usual,—as though the boys were absentees in the ordinary way. That is, the ordinary daily program is carried out, so that the other members of the school who are not at Sloyd may not lose any work by reason of the absence of the boys. On their return, the boys make up the work which the others have done in their absence.

We are not justified in adding this work to our present crowded course of study, or in allowing it to share in an already insufficient appropriation, unless we are convinced that its introduction will distinctly contribute to the efficiency of the work of the schools. We believe that Sloyd will do this.

The chief value of Sloyd is not that it will directly help

children to earn a living, or fit them for a trade. Its main purpose is not to make children skilful in the use of tools. Such a narrow mercenary aim has no legitimate place in any system of general education; such training is not the express business of the common schools. The chief value of Sloyd is that it has in it elements and interests, as well as methods of training, not found in any other school work which we are doing. It furnishes another point of contact, another important means of influence, another avenue of approach to the child, which has been found to lead to excellent results in his development. Its main purpose is the same as that of every other phase of legitimate school work,—to develop in all who come under its influence a better physical growth, a larger power of thinking clearly, a greater strength of character and power of will.

The Sloyd room is well equipped with all apparatus necessary for doing the work well. The exercises in Sloyd require only the use of hand tools, and these, by general consent, yield larger educational results in proportion to their cost than the apparatus used in any other form of manual training. It would be better if the Sloyd work could be extended so as to give the girls as well as the boys a part in it. It furnishes an educational drill as well suited, perhaps, to one sex as to the other. But to extend the work to the amount necessary to include in it more than twice the number of pupils now accommodated, is not possible with the present financial resources of the school department.

THE WORK OF THE SCHOOLS.

No important changes in the course of study, or in the methods of teaching have been made during the year, and none are contemplated. Fewer changes than usual have occurred in the corps of teachers. The schools have experienced no serious interruptions, and their work has been done quietly, earnestly, and with good spirit. Both teach-

ers and pupils have done their work with fidelity, and in most cases with efficiency.

The school of today makes large demands upon the teacher. With the increased number of pupils she has to care for, and the multiplicity of subjects she has to teach, her task is as difficult as it is important. She has need of a generous equipment both by nature and by acquirement to render her work a success. She should possess that broad culture which gives her a lively interest in every field of truth, as well as that professional knowledge which enables her to see the subjects she is to teach in their right relation to the child to be taught. But her supreme need is the ability to impart these subjects of study in such a way as to broaden her pupils' horizon, and extend their interests,—to know how to really teach these things, and make them the efficient means of developing in those entrusted to her care, health and vigor of mind and body. This is the aim of the school, and to accomplish anything less is a failure to meet in full measure the purpose for which the school is established and supported. It is the serious duty of this community to see that this purpose is sustained, and that success is achieved in every one of its schools; and to this end to furnish them all needed support, both moral and financial.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation of the helpfulness of the Committee in carrying on my work, and of the hearty co-operation of the teachers in all that concerns the best welfare of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS J. HEAVENS.

Superintendent of Schools.

PLYMOUTH, Feb. 1, 1901.

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

To the School Committee:

I have the honor to submit my annual report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1900:

A large number of calls from the teachers to look up absentees from school have been received, and all cases have been investigated. Many of the children were found absent because of sickness.

Most of the absentees in the north part of the town were children of foreign parents who do not seem to understand that they cannot keep their children at home when they please, and, as very few of them can speak our language, it is difficult to explain the law to them.

Respectfully yours,

J. W. HUNTING.

Truant Officer.

LIST OF TEACHERS

IN THE SCHOOLS, PLYMOUTH, MASS.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Geo. F. Kenney, Principal, English, Literature and History.
Grace W. Irwin, Mathematics.
Carrie L. Barker, Classics and French.
Nellie Carpenter, History and English.
May L. Booth, German and English.
Henrietta Pratt, Science.
Luella B. Cronkrite, Commercial Studies.

NORTH DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

GRADE.

1—2.	Adeline M. Stevens.
1—2.	Marie L. Gribbin.
1.	Lizzie W. Sampson.
2.	Gertrude C. Bennett.
3—4.	Kate G. Zahn.
3—4.	Adelaide G. Irwin.
5—7.	Katherine A. O'Brien.

BURTON SCHOOL.

GRADE.

8.	Charles F. Cole.
5.	Clara M. Diman.
4.	Teresa A. Rogan.
3.	Alice H. Blackmer.

CORNISH SCHOOL.

GRADE.

- 9. Arthur R. Gledhill.
 - 7. Addie L. Bartlett.
 - 6. Grace D. Chandler.
 - 6. Lydia E. Holmes.
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RUSSELL STREET DISTRICT.

GRADE.

- 1—2. Bertha M. Briggs.
 - 1—2. Harriet S. Gooding.
 - 1—2. Helen A. Dunham.
 - 3—4. Mary A. Casey.
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MOUNT PLEASANT SCHOOL.

GRADE.

- 8—9. John W. Herrick.
 - 7. Augusta M. Morton.
 - 4—5. Flora L. Leake.
 - 3—4. Annie M. Frost.
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MOUNT PLEASANT DISTRICT.

GRADE.

- 1. Deborah Howland.
 - 2. Frances E. Weston.
 - 1—2. Lizzie E. Mitchell.
 - 1—4. Esther C. Manter.
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CHILTONVILLE.

GRADE.

- 6—9. William Keyes.
- 1—5. Martha W. Whitmore.
- 1—5. Kate W. Sampson.
- 1—5. Mary A. Morton.

MANOMET.

GRADE.	6—9.	Anna J. Billings.
	1—5.	Leella F. Barnes.

VALLERVILLE.

Ungraded.	Annie C. Holmes.
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ELLISVILLE.

Ungraded.	Julia M. Allen.
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CEDARVILLE.

Ungraded.	Lucy Moon.
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LONG POND.

Ungraded.	Sarah H. Paty.
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Music.	Minnie M. Jameson.
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Drawing.	George T. Sperry.
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Sloyd.	Elizabeth Paine.
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TOWN MEETING.

*To either of the Constables in the Town of Plymouth,
in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of Plymouth, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in Davis Opera House, in said Plymouth, on Monday, the fourth day of March, 1901, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and in the Casino in said Plymouth, on Saturday the ninth day of March, 1901, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the several boards of officers and committees of the Town and act thereon.

ART. 3. To revise and accept a list of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, and for disbursement under the provisions of the law relating to State Aid and Military Aid, and to defray the expenses of the Town after January 1, 1902.

ART. 5. To make the necessary appropriations to defray the expenses of the Town, and for other purposes, and to raise such sums of money as the Town shall deem expedient.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of

one hundred and fifty dollars to pay the expenses of Decoration Day.

ART. 7. To take such action as the Town may see fit in aid of the Public Library.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to renew any note or notes heretofore authorized, which are now due, or may become due the present year, for such time, and on such terms as they may deem expedient for the interests of the town.

ART. 9. To see what appropriation the Town will make for the care and improvement of the various public parks and of Training Green.

ART. 10. To hear the report of the committee on sewers for the northerly part of the town, and act thereon.

ART. 11. To see what action the Town will take in regard to constructing sewers in the north part of the town, and make an appropriation therefor.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount not exceeding \$18,000.00, for the purpose of raising money to be expended in the construction of sewers.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount not exceeding \$10,000.00 for the purpose of raising money to be expended in the erection and repair of school houses.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to employ counsel, and incur expenses, as provided by statute, to represent the Town before the Committee of the Legislature on Counties on the petition of C. H. Coulter and others for removal of Registry of Deeds and Probate, or to establish a Registry of Deeds at Brockton.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will accept and allow the layout of South Park Avenue, from Court Street to Water Street, as laid out by the Selectmen and reported to the Town.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will accept and allow the layout of Sever Street, from Russell Street to Allerton Street, as laid out by the Selectmen and reported to the Town.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will accept and allow the layout of Newfields Street, from the southerly terminus of the present street, to a point near the slaughter house, as laid out by the Selectmen and reported to the Town.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will build a receiving tomb in Vine Hills or Oak Grove cemeteries, and appropriate an amount not exceeding \$2,500.00 therefor.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 254, of the Acts of 1897, entitled, "An Act to provide for the further protection of trees, and for the prevention of fires in woodlands."

ART. 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate money to be expended in means to prevent and check the spread of fires in woodlands.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will reduce the number of Selectmen from five to three, and at the next Annual Election choose one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and at each Annual Election thereafter choose one for three years.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will accept and allow the location of an addition to Morton Park, as filed with the Town Clerk, February 16th, 1901.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a steam roller and stone crusher, and make an appropriation therefor.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount not exceeding \$5,000.00, for the purpose of raising money to be expended in the purchase of a steam roller and stone crusher.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will vote to macadamize Water Street from the Plymouth Stove Foundry Co. to the

station of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., and make an appropriation therefor.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will vote to re-dress the present macadamized road from the corner of Leyden Street to Lothrop Street, and make an appropriation therefor.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount not exceeding \$8,000.00 for the purpose of raising money to be expended in macadamizing Water Street, and re-dressing Main and Court Streets.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will vote to build a new Stone Arch Bridge over Eel river, on River Street, and make an appropriation therefor.

ART. 29. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount not exceeding \$20,000.00 for the purpose of raising money to be expended in completing the Water system, as voted by the Town, July 20th, 1899.

ART. 30. To choose all necessary Town officers. The following officers to be voted for all on one ballot, viz.: Five Selectmen, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Auditor, one member of a Board of Health for three years, one Assessor for three years, seven Constables, one Overseer of the Poor for three years, one Water Commissioner for three years, two members of the School Committee for three years, one Park Commissioner for three years, and three members of a Committee on Agawam and Half-way Pond Fishery, and to vote by ballot, "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?"

The polls for the election of officers and the vote on the license question will be open at the Casino at eight o'clock in the forenoon, on said Saturday, the ninth day of March, 1901, and may be closed at three o'clock in the afternoon. Both of said days will constitute the Annual Meeting, and

this call is issued in accordance with the vote of the Town passed June 5th, 1897.

And you are hereby required to serve this warrant in the manner prescribed by a vote of the Town, by posting notices thereof in three public places in the Town, seven days at least before the meeting, one of which postings shall be in Chiltonville, and one in Manomet Ponds, and also by publishing the warrant in the newspapers published in Plymouth, and make return thereof with your doings thereon, at the time and place first above mentioned.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and one.

HORACE M. SAUNDERS,
DEXTER H. CRAIG,
ALBERT T. HARLOW,
HENRY O. WHITING,
EDGAR D. HILL.

Selectmen of Plymouth.

February 18, 1901.

PLYMOUTH ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, are hereby notified to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOSEPH T. COLLINGWOOD.

Constable of Plymouth.